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SUMMARY.

Queen Alexandra has subscribed 500 guineas to the Veterans' Relief Fund organised by Lord Roberts, and the Prince of Wales 250 guineas.

Lord Iveagh gave 1000 guineas, Sir Ernest Cassel 1000 guineas, and Lord Burnham (proprietor of the "Daily Telegraph") 1000 guineas.

Mr. Haldane, Secretary of State for War, said it would soon be recognised to be impossible to withhold the suffrage from women.

India is issuing a loan of £5,000,000, bearing interest at the rate of 3½ per cent. The price is £99.

The Labour party in the United States has resolved to agitate for the proper protection of workers.

Five crimes of the "Jack the Ripper" character have occurred in Berlin, the victims in four cases being children.

Very severe weather is prevailing in England and on the Continent.

In Berlin the streets are a sea of ice. Hundreds of pedestrians have been injured through falls.

The new bow of the Suevic has been united to the salved portion of the hull, and the vessel is now whole again.

Captain Hobson, of the United States Navy, declares that "America has been taking backwater from Japan. Only one thing remains before war, namely, a pretext."

Indignation is evinced in America at such a display of jingoism.

There is a growing feeling in Belgium against annexing the Congo Free State.

The estate of the late Mr. G. M'Culloch, one of the original proprietors of the Broken Hill mines, has been valued at £375,000.

Cumberland defeated the New Zealand footballers by 2 goals 5 tries to 3 goals 1 try. Cumberland pressed the game during the first half.

One result of the formation of the "Times" proprietorship into a limited liability company is that its capital will be increased by £300,000.

The shareholders include a number of eminent personages.

A vice-regal commission has been appointed to investigate the robbery of Crown jewels from Dublin Castle in July last.

Mr. Charles Wadsworth Whitney, a banking millionaire of New York, has committed suicide.

The Teralba miners resumed work yesterday. The Coal Mines Commission proceeded with its inquiry.

The Court gave an interim decision granting a cavil and the choosing of mates under certain stated conditions.

The colliery managers are to have the final say in the composition of the parties.

About 200 unionists usually employed on the Hunter River and Illawarra Companies' wharfs did not resume work yesterday.

There are about 3000 members of the Wharf Labourers' Union who are not at present affected by the dispute.

"But," remarked the financial secretary of the Wharf Labourers' Union, "there is no knowing where the thing is going to stop."

The companies affected intend to carry on with free labour, which is offering freely.

The master builders' new exchange in Castlereagh-street was officially opened yesterday.

The Minister for Works, who was present, said the Government intended to carry on further large works during the coming year.

The miners' strike at Rix's Creek, near Singleton, has been settled, the men having accepted a compromise.

A store of six stories is to be erected by the Federal Government at Darling Harbour with all the latest devices for handling goods.

It is to be used for storing departmental and defence material.

Designs for Commonwealth postcards have been submitted to the Postmaster-General, who has decided to call for tenders for their reproduction in colours.

The Minister for Works said yesterday the Government was most anxious to come to settlement of the Federal capital site.

The Government, said Mr. Lee, could offer other sites more suitable than Dalgety.

If the Federal Government would only ask the State for a definite offer of a site the Government would be able to reply in a very few days.

The Rev. A. E. Saxon, curate of St Peter's, Cooma, has accepted the invitation of the officers and crew of the Nimrod to become chaplain.

He will leave New Zealand in the supplementary vessel of the Antarctic expedition now being fitted out.

A new building regulations in Melbourne limits the height of new buildings to 110ft above the pavement.

The prize-money for the Royal Easter Show in Sydney has been considerably increased. The show will begin on April 14 and close on April 22.

Malcolm M'Eachara leaves London for Australia on January 24. He has recovered from his serious indisposition.

Fisher will not be able to take part in the first test match to be commenced at Adelaide Oval, as he strained himself in the last match.

Cooper is suffering from a chill, but his condition is not serious.

William Lyne is dissatisfied with Mr. Deakin's attitude over the printing of the postage stamps.

The question as to where the stamp-printing shall be done has, remarks the Federal Treasurer, not yet been decided.

The Defence authorities are considering a proposal to bring the cadets under compulsory training.

The training ship Port Jackson, with cadets from the Varsplte boys on board, signalled Wilson's Promontory yesterday, 93 days out from Plymouth to Sydney.

The express steamer Orara, built in Scotland for the Sydney Byron Bay trade, passed Wilson's Promontory at noon yesterday.

The strike of navvies for increased pay has extended on the railway extension from Belmore to Bankstown.

Generally speaking, satisfactory reports continue to be received regarding the domestic situation as has arrived by the Miltiades.

A further batch of domestics will arrive by the Ormuz from England on Monday. There are also 16 farm labourers on board.

The Lomond Station, one of the finest stations on the New England tableland, is to be subdivided for closer settlement.

As a consequence of the drought there will be a district trophy of the South Coast Agricultural Societies' Union at the Sydney Show this year.

The Premier of New Zealand expects a revenue surplus, exceeding £800,000.

The land tax in New Zealand shows an increase of £102,658 over last year. The income tax increased by £20,000.

Mr. Eddy, one of the senior inspectors of public schools in Victoria, has died suddenly of heart disease.

Captain Voss, of Campbell-street, North Sydney, committed suicide by taking laudanum.

Further useful rains have fallen on the slopes of the western tableland and on parts of the coast.

A severe thunderstorm occurred at Bombala. The roads in the district were much damaged.

Floods are reported from Northern Queensland. All the low-lying areas at Geraldton are under water.

Ten inches of rain fell at Kurandah and 6½ inches at Atherton. Stoney Creek had the highest flood known.

The Atherton railway line is under water at several places. Washaways have occurred at Cooktown.

F. W. Springfield won the mile swimming championship of Queensland. He will represent that State at the championship meeting in Western Australia.

Cable advices from London indicating a decline in the values of metals caused a general easing in silver and copper stocks yesterday.

Weather Forecast.—Winds varying to cool southerly; the change preceded or accompanied by squalls, showers, and thunder.

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	/15 ..	/12½
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ORMUZ	6,465	Shelford	Jan. 25	Jan. 28	Jan. 30
OROTAVA	5,980	Jenks	Feb. 8	Feb. 11	Feb. 13
*ORONTES	9,023	Rothwell	Feb. 19	Feb. 23	Feb. 27
*OPHIR	6,814	Coad	Mar. 4	Mar. 10	Mar. 12
*ASTURIAS	12,200		Mar. 18	Mar. 24	Mar. 26
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MOKOIA, WEDNESDAY, January 29, at noon.
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MAHENO (Turbine Steamer), TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, at 1 p.m. No Cargo received To-morrow.
WARRIMOO, SATURDAY, January 18, at 1 p.m.

TASMANIA.
For HOBART DIRECT—
MARAROA, TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, at noon (from Huddart, Parker's Wharf); January 21, 30.
From HOBART—January 16, 28.
For LAUNCESTON, via EDEN—
WAKATIPU, WEDNESDAY, January 22, at 10 a.m.
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For TONGA (Nukualofa, Haapai, Vavau), SAMOA (Apia), FIJI, thence to Sydney—
NAVUA (Twin-Screw), from Auckland, TUESDAY, February 4.
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AUCTION SALES.

INGLIS'S BAZAAR.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, AT 10.30 A.M.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, commencing with TURNOUTS, followed by specially advertised lots, as under:—

AT 11.15 A.M.

On account of Owner.
Light Waggonette, with leather hood, suit a hawker; also Fruit Cart; both in good order; and Set of Harness.
On account of Mr. G. LEE, Epping.
Heavy Draught Bay Gelding, 5yrs, thoroughly staunch, any trial; Dray, and Harness, making a first-class turnout.
On account of Owner.
High-class Brown Cob Pony, 5yrs, 12.1, a model, fast, stylish, and quiet in harness; superior Sulky and Harness, in perfect order; also 2 Sets of Harness and Sundries.
On account of Owner.
Grey Gelding, quiet and reliable in harness, trial given; Roaded Sociable and Harness, making a stylish turnout.
On account of Mr. JOHN MOORE.
Roan Gelding, Delivery Van, and Set of Harness; also Chas. Gilding, Delivery Van, and Har.; both horses staunch and subject to trials.

AT 12 O'CLOCK.

On account of Mr. M. C. Bailey, Wollongong.
Chestnut Draught Gelding, broken in and good puller, used to farm work, and running to the factory; suit a van or lorry.
On account of Owner.
Bay Cob Gelding, 15 hands, a first-class hack (very fast walker), and a grand buggy horse; suit an elderly gentleman; also Gentleman's Full-sized Saddle (basil lined), and Bridle.
On account of Mr. H. Podesta, Glenfield.
Bay Draught Gelding, broken to harness, and staunch.
On account of Mr. W. Mitchell, St. Marys.
Active Brown Mare, 5yrs, any trial, suit a van; also Grey Mare, thoroughly broken to harness; suit a tradesman's cart.
On account of Owner.
Grey Gelding, 6yrs, 16 hands, reliable in harness, suit a freeness cart.
On account Dr. A. Shirter.
Outstanding Bay Gelding, splendid harness horse, very stylish, good mover, and exceptionally quiet, only being sold owing to owner using a motor car.

ST. MARYS CATTLE SALE.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, JAN. 11,
AT 11.30 A.M.

1300 HEAD. 1300 HEAD.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction as above. The following are the particulars of the various lots advised up to the present:—
100 Purebred Ayrshire Heifers, from 18 months to 2½ years old.
The above are described as the best lot of Heifers in one line ever offered at St. Marys.
100 Head, comprising—
25 Extra choice Heifers, Ayrshire and Jersey Cross, 1½ to 2 years old, a tip-top lot, worthy of special attention.
15 ditto ditto, 9 to 12 months old, 45 Steers, 9 to 18 months old, 15 Milch Cows and Springers.
40 Head, comprising 25 Springing Cows and Heifers, and 15 newly-calved Cows with calves at foot.
50 Pure and Grade Jersey Heifers, 1 to 2 years old.
100 Extra Choice Dairy Heifers, 12 months to 2 years old, a splendid lot.
80 First-class Steers, 1 to 2 years, splendid colours, in good condition and well grown.
30 Superior Dairy Heifers, 9 to 18 months old.
50 Choice Heifers and Steers, 12 months to 2 years old.
20 Good Store Cows, in forward condition.
100 First-class Heifers, Ayrshire and Jersey cross, 9 to 18 months old.
30 Mixed Cows, Heifers, and Steers.
80 Head, comprising 40 real good 9-months old Dairy Heifers, and 20 good Backward Springing Cows, in good condition.
100 Mixed Cattle, including 10 very choice Springers, and 70 good young Store Cows.
60 Choice two-year-old Bullocks, well grown, in splendid condition.
80 Head, comprising principally Heifers and Steers and Store Cows.
20 first-class Bullocks, 2½ to 3 years old.
40 very choice Dairy Heifers, 12 to 18 months old.
20 Poddies, 9 to 18 months old.
80 Head, comprising Heifers, Steers, and Store Cows.
25 Young Heifers, under 12 months; and 2 Dairy Bulls.
60 Real Good Dairy Heifers, 2 to 3½ years old, from picked dairies on the Greendale Estate, Bringelly.

On account Mr. A. THOMPSON, Lenore, St. Marys.
The following Pure Jersey Bulls:—BRUCE, Silver Grey, calved February, 1907. sire Uncas, dam Tulip H.; BARNEY H., Fawn, calved Jan., 1907, sire Barney, dam Corn Cob; PROCEED, calved February, 1907, sire Uncas, dam Tulip H.; FORTUNE, calved March, 1906, sire Golden Lord, dam Goatie, by The Duke. Full pedigrees at sale.

TRAIN leaves Sydney at 10.15 a.m., returning at 3.42 and 6.47 p.m.

HORSES. HORSES.

CAMPERDOWN YARDS,
THIS DAY, FRIDAY,
2.30 P.M.

J. H. BEALE
has received instructions to sell by Auction, viz.,
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20 Horses, comprising a few Draughts, the balance useful Saddle and Harness Horses.

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300 TO 400 HEAD.

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3 superior Draught Horses, 2 Tip Drays, 3 Vans, 1 Trolly, several sets Harness, Timber.
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SHEEPSKINS, at 10.30 a.m.; HIDES, at 1.30 p.m.

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Fat Vealers, Porkers, Baconers, Suckers, Carcase Pork and Veal, Butter, Cheese, Honey, Eggs, Honey, Beeswax, Lard, Fruit, a large quantity of Poultry of every description, Pigeons, Birds, Game, etc.
40 cwt. choice Farm-fed Bacon.
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R. F. MURPHY AND CO.
will sell by auction at
THEIR SALE ROOMS AND YARDS,
Thomas-street, Haymarket,
THIS DAY,
Sucking Pigs and Carcase Pork, 1 p.m. sharp.
Eggs, Butter, Bacon, etc., 2 p.m.
Poultry, etc., 2.30 p.m.

C. J. TURNER sells at his Rooms, Valentine-street, Haymarket, THIS DAY, as under:—
1.15, Ducklings, Chicks, Birds, etc.
1.30, Eggs, then Poultry.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT TO RESIDENTS OF NEWTOWN, ERSKINEVILLE, ALEXANDRIA, ST. PETERS, PETERSHAM, and DISTRICTS.
SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION,
TO-MORROW (SATURDAY) AFTERNOON, AT 2.30,
on the Site of Demolition,
A LARGE 12-ROOMED WEATHERBOARD COTTAGE, Situate corner of BLIGH and LITTLE QUEEN STREETS, NEWTOWN (Leave Tram at FORBES-STREET), comprising
200 Sheets of A1 Galvanised Iron, 6 to 9 ft, 24 gauge.
2000 feet H'WOOD WEATHERBOARDS, splendid lot.
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Large Marble Mantelpiece, with Register Grate.
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FUEL STOVE, in FIRST-CLASS ORDER.
47 Large Quantity of Premises Verandah Flagging, 9250 Sandstock Bricks, etc., etc.

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100 TONS DECKING. (In lots to suit purchasers), and a quantity of PILES, GIRDERS, and SUNDRY TIMBER.

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SUBURBAN AND COUNTRY PROPERTIES, to be
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THIS DAY, FRIDAY.

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MARRICKVILLE.—Block of Land, 3a 1r 24½p, Livingstone-road, with Cottage thereon. Executor's Sale.
GLADESVILLE.—Stone Cottage, Great North-road, near corner of Bateman's-road. Executor's Sale.
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THIS DAY, JANUARY 10th, at 10 a.m.,
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AT 11 A.M.
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Small Quantity FANCY GOODS, CLOTHING, Etc., including—
Ladies' Skirts, Blousings, Underskirts, Child's Pinafores, Table Cloths, Skirts, etc.
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THIS DAY, AT 2 O'CLOCK.
AT 170 GEORGE-STREET WEST, near Shepherd-street.

MIDDLETON and CO. sell by auction,—500 lots new and second-hand Clothing, Blouses, Underclothing, Silk and other Dresses, Men's and Children's Clothing, Sheets, Blankets, Quilts, Remnants, Boots, Shoes, Furniture, etc. No Reserve.
AUCTION SALE OF SURPLUS BUILDING MATERIALS,
ON THE PREMISES, RUSSELL-STREET, NEAR GOULBURN-STREET,
THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock.

JAMES COWAN,
acting under instructions from W. NOLLER, CONTRACTOR, will sell, in lots to suit purchasers, TIMBER OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS, JOINERY, DOORS, SASHES, GALV. IRON, and SUNDRIES.
TERMS, CASH. NO RESERVE.

JAMES COWAN,
acting under instructions from Messrs. H. M'KENZIE, LIMITED, will
Conduct a
CLEARANCE AUCTION SALE
at their PYRMONT PREMISES,
ON TUESDAY NEXT, JANUARY 14th, at 11 o'clock.
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RE THE SALE OF THE SEASON,
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COUNTRY HOME, at station, 16 miles city, 2 acres land, cultivated, and neatly arranged, 5-roomed W.B. Cottage, washh., cop., sheds, stable, trapshed, cow hall, etc., £265, Tor., time. Stack, suc., P'matta.
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£30 IN PRIZES.

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The decision of the proprietors of Dr. Pinnock's Peltona Pills will be Final, and entries will only be accepted on this condition.
Competitors must send the printed four lines of the unfinished Limerick affixed to a sheet of paper, with the last line plainly written in its place, and the name and address of the competitor.

1ST PRIZE, £15.
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Say! have you heard of the cure by Peltona?
Why! it cured old Matthews, of Altona,
He'd been ill for ten years,
Now of death he's no fears,
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There is NO Entrance Fee, but each finished Limerick must be accompanied by the outside wrapper of a packet of Dr. Pinnock's Peltona Pills, price 1s—obtainable from

LEGAL NOTICES.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES. —Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will and Codicils of ELLEN SCROFIELD, late of Waverley, near Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the Fourteenth Accounts in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Queen's-square, King-street, Sydney, and all persons having any claims on the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the 12th day of February, at 11.45 o'clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto; otherwise if the said Accounts be not objected to the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. And Notice is also hereby given that on the allowance of the said Accounts by the Court commission will be applied for on behalf of the Executor. Dated this ninth day of January, in the year 1908. T. W. GARRETT (L.S.), Registrar. KERSHAW, MATTHEWS, and LANE, Proctors for the Executor, 67 Hunter-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES. —Probate Jurisdiction.—No. 25,689.—In the Will of WILLIAM THOMAS BASSETT, commonly known as William Bassett, late of Mount Pleasant, Hinton, in the State of New South Wales, Gentleman, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the First Accounts in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Chancery-square, King-street, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said Estate, or being otherwise interested therein, are hereby required to come in before me at my said office, on or before the twelfth day of February next, at a quarter-past eleven of the clock in the forenoon, and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto; otherwise if the said Accounts be not objected to the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. Dated this ninth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and eight. T. W. GARRETT (L.S.), Registrar. LEONARD GIPSON, Proctor for the Executor Company, Equitable-building, George-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES. —Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of ELIZABETH HANNAH NAUGHTON, late of Tumut Plains, in the State of New South Wales, the wife of Thomas Henry Naughton, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to WILLIAM JOHN CLAFFEY, the Executor named in the said Will. And all persons having any claims against the said Estate are required to send particulars thereof to the undersigned, at whose office all notices may be served. TAYLOR and TARTAKOVER, Proctors for the Executor, Russell-street, Tumut. By their Agent, GEO. H. TURNER, 76 Pitt-street, Sydney.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of LOUISA PHERNA, late of Paddington, in the State of New South Wales, Widow, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ELIZABETH ALICE GRIFFITH, the Sole Executrix named in the said Will; and all notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. THOMAS J. DICKSON, Solicitor, 127 King-street, Sydney.

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The liberally-endowed bill of fare framed by the Victoria Park Racing Club for the opening of its new racecourse at Zetland on Wednesday, the 15th inst., demands the attention of owners and trainers of ponies, galloways, and larger horses to-day, for at 5 p.m. entries close with the secretary, Mr. S. Peters, for the seven events included in the programme. The items include a maiden race for all horses, an Encourage Stakes for horses that had not won a prize of 20 sovs up to the time of starting, races for horses 14.0, 14.1, and 14.2; while the principal item is the Victoria Park Handicap, endowed with 200 sovs, for all horses, and to be run over six furlongs. The programme is advertised.

The scratchings recorded yesterday in connection with the Anniversary meeting of the Australian Jockey Club were Lady Isabel out of the Challenge Stakes, and Ossian and Australian Colors out of the Anniversary Handicap.

The scratchings notified yesterday in connection with the A.J.C. Autumn meeting were: Metal King, Duillius, and Metograph out of the St. Leger, and Playbrick out of the Champagne Stakes.

The colt by Brakpan from Gloriosa engaged in the Nursery Handicap at Rosehill on the 18th instant has been named Pantheon.

Jolly Kate was yesterday struck out of the Flying Handicap in connection with the Canterbury Park January meeting.

An extremely thick fog enveloped Randwick heath at about half-past 5 o'clock yesterday morning, and obscured all the work except the very early gallops from the track-watchers. On the magpie grass track Antonious galloped about a mile and three-quarters at a useful pace, and moved very freely. On the tan Lamora carried a light weight over six furlongs in 1m 23s, a record that was equalled by Woodside and The Intended, who finished together. A useful mile went down to Set Free, while Leuron and Pelsart spurted half a mile at their best pace. Comely and Severe traversed six furlongs leisurely in 1m 26s, but Jolly Kate improved on this by 2s. A host of others turned out for useful work.

Messrs. H. Chisholm and Co. report having sold the br h Royal, by Simmer (imp.) from Girli, to a patron of M. Doyle's stable, at Hobart (Tas.), and the horse will be shipped by the steamer Mararoa for his new destination on Saturday.

A winning bracket was credited to the New South Wales-bred sire, Patron, at the Kempton (Tas.) December meeting, when the gelding, Stepfather, won the Sunbury Maiden Hurdle Race, w.f.a., 2m.

The first of the New South Wales horses engaged at the Victorian autumn meetings have (telegraphs our Melbourne correspondent) arrived. Little Boy, Putty, and Royal Glen, inmates of Frank M'Grath's stable, have reached Caulfield, and are quartered at J. Foulsham's stables.

VICTORIA PARK RACECOURSE.

At the invitation of the management a press inspection of the Victoria Park racecourse was held yesterday afternoon. About 15 months have elapsed since the formation of the racecourse was taken in hand, and in the meantime a complete transformation scene has been effected. The site, which is immediately south of Zetland, on the Cooper estate, consisted of peat swamps interspersed with sand dunes, and, while the latter were used as the substrata for the tracks and reserves, the former supplied the turf to cover them. Three tracks have been laid down—the course proper, a grass training track, and a cinder track, the last mentioned of which has been completed, and is without doubt the best of its kind in Australia. It is about nine furlongs circumference, is 40ft wide in width, and the straight is about 2½ furlongs in extent. This track has been laid out on good lines with bold and safe curves, and properly battered, and on it the management will open business next week. It was open to trainers and at a time when 261 runs had to be made, or the match lost. I am not urging any excuse, only supplying a set-off to your correspondent's statements. Let me point out one matter that has been lost sight of. The Melbourne papers, supported by the opinions of old cricketers, owing to the deterioration of the wicket, stated that the Englishmen would not be able to make many runs in their second innings. Yet when the runs were made the press and cognoscenti close up like oysters, and for the reason evidently that it would make England's performance appear so much better if too much prominence were given to such a matter. Now let me inform your "here-spot-in-my-heart" friend that several of the English batsmen in that memorable innings, notably Braund and Barnes, got down on their knees and scraped the pitch with the bat, raising miniature clouds of dust in front so. I think the handicap of having to get so many runs on such a wicket, together with the incidents above mentioned, silences your correspondent's wail. Moreover, if we are to go into the "ifs" and "buts," those who have played and understand cricket must know this, that "if" a certain man had got out at a certain time, instead of later on when he had made 100, it is not improbable that whoever that the succeeding batsmen had would not have done much better than they did. In a word, the whole course of an innings might be altered for better or for worse. And what right has your correspondent to claim that, if Hutchings had been caught when he was 16, the following batsmen would not have made good scores? Or, if Mallett had not been run out, that he would have made one run more?

I do not often waste time combating such obviously ridiculous statements as your correspondent advances, but I would counsel him to accept his defeat like a true sportsman, and not rush into print to show people that he has a sore spot in his heart, because England gained such a magnificent victory. I am an Englishman, but having witnessed all the play I consider the weight of runs for and against would be a tie; but Australia had already a win to its credit in the first contest, and had that been (somewhat similar, too) on the slate, and for that reason I wanted nothing short of a victory, and what a win it was. Need I say more? I am, etc., ENGLISHMAN. Jan. 9.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—In your issue of the 6th, under the above heading, your correspondent, signing himself "Australian Sportsman," has given us the benefit of some of his opinions on the second test match. Undoubtedly he has been reading the account of this match in a very much Australian-coloured glasses, much so as to lose sight entirely of the spirit of fair play which we believe to pervade the bulk of real Australian sportsmen. There is no necessity for me to point out to your readers what that is, he is a native of this country, as that is self-evident in his writing; but one fails to see the necessity for him to take the part of his fellow countrymen in their unsportsmanlike way he is doing. They are quite able to look after themselves, and they are certainly better sportsmen, as evidenced by their captain, Mr. Noble's, speech at Melbourne on the occasion of the match, as well as their supporter signing himself "Australian Sportsman." Your correspondent asks, what, for instance, would have happened in England's first innings had Mr. Mailard been run out from a hitherto? Or when that player was only 16? and what if Noble's had not been bowled in a such a ridiculous fashion? Such questions as these are absolutely absurd, as one can easily ask, what would have happened if Trumper not been missed? or Cotter not have had so much luck in batting? or what would have happened had the Englishmen won the toss, and thus had a better wicket? All things that they have evidently did have, or what would have happened had the Englishmen had the more brilliant and experienced captain in Mr. A. O. Jones in both of their matches to date? Hence I am of opinion that the remark that could be mentioned are evidently overlooked by "Australian Sportsman," whose wish is that the luck of the game will be more evenly distributed in the match to commence at Adelaide on Friday. Evidently he does not realise that catching or missing a catch is as much a part of the game of cricket as being bowled and not being bowled is a part of the game. What I desire and thousands of other supporters of the game are with me in this desire, is to give credit where credit is due, and all honour to the team, whichever it may be, that has proved itself the better team in the present contest. "Australian Sportsman" is a type of supporter who is mainly instrumental in introducing discord and unpleasant rivalry, where nothing else should exist but a friendly spirit, based up on all the keenness that the great national game so easily provides. I am, etc., ENGLISH SPORTSMAN.

SWIMMING.

WESTERN DISTRICT CLUB.

The following have entered for the 100yds State championship:—A. Wickham, H. Baker, and A. Barry (East Sydney), H. Hardwick (Sydney), E. Cook and L. Murray (Manly).

The following handicaps have been allotted for the 60yds interclub handicap:—C. Ratgens, scr; C. Hawkes, 3; Watkinson, C. Hunt, 1s; T. Cunnis, 2s; O. Dickman, 2s; F. Smith, 2; Forsythe, J. Porteous, J. M'Manus, H. Day, H. Bell, H. Ward, 3; Finch, 1s; Johnstone, 4s; A. Priddle, R. Grome, G. K. Habeenbe, 5s; R. Benson, E. Stapleton, W. Reynolds, C. A. Bell, C. J. R. Wilson, W. W. Scott, Gregg, G. F. Hill, W. Cowen, J. M'Quirl, F. Clare, R. Clare, H. J. Wilson, J. M'Quirl, P. Roache, R. Matherson, 7s; F. Thompson, J. White, Hallen, G. White, J. Sullen, L. Abel, 8s; H. S. Lee, W. Thorpe, F. Wright, S. Gerwell, E. Clebourne, H. Shaw, 10s; S. Beaumont, 11s; A. Bateman, 13s.

THE AUSTRALASIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS.

The executive of the N.S.W.S.A.A. met last night. The principal business before the meeting was the selection of the team to represent N.S.W. in the Australasian championships at Perth. A good deal of difficulty presented itself in making the selection by reason of the fact that the result of the 1 mile, 880 yards, and 440 yards championships has brought forth the claims of three men as the long distance representative—viz., R. Healy, J. R. Garland, and O. Dickman. After deliberation the following resolution was passed:—"That C. Healy be selected for the short distances, and that the three mentioned swimmers swim two, two and one 220 yards race for the mile. The event will take place at Lavender Bay Baths next Monday evening at 6 o'clock, and the 880 yards test at the same baths on Wednesday next.

SOUTH SYDNEY DISTRICT CLUB.

The South Sydney District Club held a 123 yards club handicap on Wednesday night at Redfern Baths. Results:—First heat: G. Golder, 2s 1 in. Time, 1m 48 2-5s. Second heat: W. Mortimer, 10s, 1. Time, 1m 50⅘s. Third heat: L. Bigley, 2s, 1. Time, 1m 40 3-5s. Fourth heat: S. Parry, 8s, 2. Time, 1m 43 1-5s. Final: L. Bigley, 2s, 1; G. Golder, 10s, 2; S. Parry, 2s, 3. Won by a yard. Time, 1m 43s.

QUEENSLAND MILE CHAMPIONSHIP.

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A splendid set of rural pictures from the Tamworth district have pride of place in the Sydney Mail this week. They were secured at Woodhouse, the farm of Mr. C. J. Britten, who has been awarded first prize in the Northern Tablelands Division of the Sydney Mail and S. M. Herald competitions. No pictures could point more convincingly to the fruitfulness of this district. The double page is occupied by two views, one dealing with threshing and the other with cutting oaten hay. There are other illustrations of field work.

The Tamworth set provides a beautiful picture, entitled "At the Watering Place." It shows horses, mares, and foals in the shallow waters of a tree-shaded stream.

In connection with the surf-bathing fatalities at Newcastle, there are portraits of the late Nurse Quayle, Nurse Bertram, S. Martin, the late W. Neve, and J. Henderson.

The Highland Gathering at Sydney is splendidly illustrated. There is also a picture having reference to the gathering of the clans at Glen Innes.

The finish for the Carrington Stakes, Sydney, is shown.

Five pages are devoted to Grafton and District. Its public buildings, some pretty river scenery, and a number of business houses are illustrated.

Newcastle Regatta Committee group appears.

On the Women's Page we have the first of a short series of "A Woman's Letters from the Bush." The illustrated story is "Mr. Capper's Dog." The drawing by Hassall will attract attention.

ILLUSTRATIONS.

GRAFTON AND DISTRICT.—Five Pages of Views.
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NEWCASTLE REGATTA.—The Committee and Flagship.
PRIZE FARM AT TAMWORTH.—The Sydney Mail and S.M. Herald Competitions.
ORANGE RACES.—Finishes of the Hurdle Race and two Handicaps.
SURF FATALITIES AT NEWCASTLE.—Portraits of Nurse Quayle and others.

LETTERPRESS SECTION.

"ON OUR EARLY SHEEP HISTORY" is the title of an article by "Lang," in the pastoral columns, which was prompted by the publication of the book on the Australian Agricultural Association. The subject has often been discussed before, but there are missing links to make the chain complete. Various matters are discussed in the section keenly interesting to the pastoral industry. The agricultural columns are none the less replete with all the latest news and criticisms on current topics. The Victorian and Queensland letters are especially attractive this week. So are all the other features of the paper which specially concern the men engaged in the rural industries.

The Turf columns contain much interesting matter relating to past events in Australia and England. "Milroy" contributes some reminiscences of the famous sculler Ed. Hanlan, and some readable retrospective matter anent racing during the past 30 years.

Mr. E. Moore's pioneering reminiscences are continued. "Shortslip" has a full account of the recent test match at Melbourne. There is also a table giving the leading performances in Australia last week. "Thormanby," the famous English sporting writer, has an entertaining article on the Prize Ring. On the Library page are reviews of several new books.

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THE PRODUCER'S STANDPOINT.

In advocating the construction of light railways in different parts of the State to open up agricultural areas the Immigration League of Australia will receive cordial support in the country. There are few districts that are not suffering from want of a railway at present, in local eyes at least. Whether such railways would all prove profitable can only be decided by careful inquiry, and such inquiries the present Government is apparently making. In fact, its attitude towards this question is progressive and satisfactory, and there is no doubt that the construction of the lines already authorised will be a great stimulus to opening up a large area of country. This attitude is pleasing to note, as beyond doubt we must look to the Government as far as railway extension is concerned. The Immigration League, presuming that Mr. W. A. Oakley voiced its sentiments in a recent letter, parts from public sympathy when it advocates the construction of branch country railways by private enterprise. As to the benefit of having these railways as a means of development and assistance to the agricultural, pastoral, and mining industries, there is no question. That aspect may be dismissed, as these arguments are applicable to State railways equally with private lines. The only thing—and it is supremely important to the man on the land—is that there are times when the State will build a railway, although it is known that it will not be a paying investment for many years, and rely upon a compensating advantage to the public interest being forthcoming in the development of the country opened up. Such a course is impossible with private enterprise unless accompanied by immense land grants, which are out of the question. In any case a system which has had such iniquitous results elsewhere is not likely to be tolerated here. Private enterprise can only be expected to build a line where it will yield good dividends. In such cases it would be against the interests of the present railway system, which must always be considered as a whole to deprive it of the benefit of such a line, apart altogether from the manifest stupidity of handing over a profit which might be retained by the people.

As far as the producers are concerned, a little reflection should demonstrate that their interests are best assisted by the retention of all railway traffic in the hands of the State. It is only necessary to recall the assistance rendered to the men on the land at the time of the big drought by the starving stock rates to emphasise the immense assistance State-owned railways can be at a moment of imminent peril to primary industries. Then it is extremely doubtful if any private company would carry wheat at the same rates as it pays the railways to do from a national standpoint. The private railway is not unknown in this State, and the Immigration League might find profit in obtaining the views of farmers contiguous to the Deniliquin-Moama line as to the relative advantage of State and private railways. On the face of it a private line must be run for profit as the main consideration, and that profit must come from those patronising the line. Mr. Oakley speaks of "the true business instinct of private management," and that may be summed up in one word—profit. Applied to ordinary commercial life, where business is conducted under competitive conditions, this spirit has a healthy effect; but in the control of a railway, which is essentially a monopoly, and upon which other industries depend, it has the opposite influence. The baneful effect of private railways in the United States, and their history of greed, extortion, robbery, and unscrupulousness are too well known to need recapitulation, excepting to say that they have called forth the best patriotism and brains of that great country to combat them and restore commerce and industry to a sounder basis. Mr. Oakley apparently recognises that when he admits that he "strongly advocates the Government holding the trunk lines of railways." The question of narrow gauge, heavy rails, and costly bridges is one for the railway expert, but it must be remembered that the department has already successfully established several light railways where conditions permitted, such, for instance, as the Jerilderie-Finley and Culcairn-Germanton lines, and may be relied upon to continue that policy while compatible with public safety. The danger of private lines is that cost might come before safety if construction is not to be "tied down by too many terms and conditions prepared by Government engineers," as our correspondent puts it, and it must be remembered that the people in the country will travel upon these lines, as well as send their produce by them. Mr. Oakley states that "objections may be urged that the break of gauge would cause extra cost in handling goods, but objectors overlook the fact that this has to be done now from horse or bullock teams. Surely from the producer's point of view, it matters little if the change takes place from a cart or from a truck." But the trouble is that there would still be the extra cost, unless a railway line is to run into every farmyard or wheat paddock along the route. The producer must cart his stuff to the line if it is only a mile away, and with the narrow gauge it must be transhipped again, and this cost will certainly fall upon the grower. Costs have a habit that way.

The arguments against private railway construction do not apply equally to that power being given to shire councils. In the latter case the road would be run as a public concern, and it is well worth consideration as to whether some scheme could not be created by which the shires could co-operate with the Railway Department. In some parts of the State a light railway could be constructed and maintained for little if any more than a macadamised road, and would, of course, be a great developing factor. Returning, however, to the other question. Although producers may grumble at present facilities, investigation will convince them that there would have been considerably less railroads and facilities in New South Wales to-day if transportation had been left to private enterprise entirely, owing to the enormous area of country to be tapped, the great distances, and the small population. It has paid the State to deal with the subject from a broad standpoint, and that has given the producer a chance. It has carried his produce at the lowest rate possible under the conditions, and thus materially helped him, while with private railways, judging from the experience of America, the only country where the conditions are at all similar, the policy has been to squeeze as much out of him as he can stand without being ruined. The Immigration League, in its desire to help the producer and the development of the uncultivated areas of this State, might lay its policy of private railways aside and join forces with the men on the land to keep the Government up to the mark in a progressive policy of railway construction and improvement of existing facilities, remembering meanwhile that, like all things, it is possible for a railway to be built before its time.

ITEMS.

At Thursday's produce sale at Redfern, several dairy farmers were in evidence, but the advance in price of lucerne to £7 per ton made that article too dear for wholesale milk production, and the bulk was obtained by city dairymen and agents. The countrymen then awaited the sale of potatoes, and the smart fall in value from yesterday of new potatoes gave some hope of lower values for several trucks of old that were to follow; but once more surprise and disappointment were their lot, for prices for these ran much above late values. One truck of soft, shrivelled potatoes realised £2 10s, a marked advance in price. The rise was caused by city dealers and the metropolitan pig men; but it is not likely to be maintained. The dairymen present generally spoke in favour of potatoes for cattle. One with some experience in feeding them to cows, stated that with a little bran they gave very good results compared with lucerne.

The early maize crop in portion of the Grafton district is the best that has been grown for years past, and as the price of maize at present is high the early shipment, if in a marketable condition, should realise a good price.

At the railway stockyards on Thursday milch cows sold at advanced rates, considering the quality, £15 being obtained for very fair cows. Retail dairymen present, in discussing the proposed rise in the price of milk, were very sympathetic with the country milk producer, and the opinion was freely expressed that is per gallon to the farmer would not be too high a price at the present time. It seems settled that an advance in price is to take place, and milk vendors are prepared for the inevitable reduction of output.

THE CAMDEN DISTRICT.

Camden, of historic fame, is now passing through an unusual event—two droughts in close succession. Every day her emergence from the drought is anticipated, and residents are looking forward to a return of those good seasons which always bring prosperity to the district. Thanks to the marvellous productive and recuperative powers of the district soil Camden is able to make a splendid fight against dry seasons. To look over the district one would never dream of Camden being in the throes of a drought. In many parts cattle are in fair condition, but in isolated cases weak cattle are to be found. A good many farmers have sent their stock to other parts for pasture, where they are doing well. Daily, dairy farmers bring their milk to the station, but this does not pay for hand-feeding. Several farmers, with waggons and teams of horses, are carting silver ore to Camden, and so are enabled to pay for their fodder bill, besides making a little more for themselves. There is a magnificent show of grapes this year, and some other lines of fruit are doing well. In order to get green food for their horses, some enterprising residents went in for irrigating lucerne on a small scale, and for months had this crop thriving remarkably well. When the weirs are constructed some of the farmers contemplate irrigating their land, as their farms are on the bank of the river. Some splendid water reservoirs have been constructed of recent years, and when these are filled there will be no fear of the district getting short of water again. There is some talk of adopting the silo system in future. The Camden Park Syndicate gave the silos a trial during the last twelve months, and are highly pleased with the result. With good silos filled in the years of plenty, farmers should make money in the dry seasons instead of losing.

ROYAL EASTER SHOW.

THE PRIZE SCHEDULE.

The Royal Agricultural Society has issued the schedule for the Easter Show, 1908. Easter is late this year, and the show will begin on April 14 and close on April 22. The prize money has again been considerably increased, and the society will pay away upwards of £4000 in cash prizes to successful exhibitors at the exhibition. In the horse classes considerable increases have been made to the prizes given for jumping contests, and several important classes have been added to the schedule. Among these are classes for yearling blood colts and fillies. In the miscellaneous classes Captain Philip Charley offers specials for remounts and light artillery horses. A sulky turnout is added to the light harness classes, and there is a class for galloways in the saddle horse section. Lady riders are offered liberal encouragement. In addition to the open contests over fences and hurdles, and the ladies' high jump, there is an open class not over jumps, an amateur class not over jumps, a class for ladies riding astride, and the M'Ewen amateur ladies over brush hurdles.

Last year's liberal programme of trotting and pacing exhibitions is repeated, with an addition of a class for trotters and pacers under three years.

A few additions have been made in the cattle section, notably two more classes for Guernseys and two classes for Dexter Kerries. A new regulation is applied to the milk and butter tests. Exhibitors are allowed to nominate up to 10 cows at 1s per head at the time of entry, and to enter up to three cows in each class. The exhibitor must name all cows at time of nomination, but he may compete with any three of these at the show, the object being to allow the exhibitor to send the cows which are in the best form on the eve of the show.

The £100 prize, to be won three times by one owner, has been abandoned, and cash prizes are offered straight out. Two specials are offered by Mr. Lumley Hill, of Queensland, in the fat cattle section for shorthorn steer, under 40 months, and Hereford steer under 40 months. In the Jersey section the Jersey Cattle Society of New South Wales, which is doing much for the breed, gives gold medals to the champion animals.

The sheep and pig sections are practically unchanged, but various alterations have been made in poultry and other birds. The classification of the breeds of poultry has been altered, and the publication of the sale prices of the exhibits has been abolished. The prize money is on the whole increased and the section brought well up to date. Some good awards are offered for ducks, the Waterfowl Club of New South Wales being a special donor in these classes. The society has been content to add a large extension to the new dog pavilion without materially altering the schedule, which offers very solid cash prizes.

Most of the classes remain the same as for the 1907 show, but farm produce has received some additions. The society now pays all freight on the district exhibits, and also all cartage to the show ground, while timber and carpenters are supplied free. Prize money is paid on all entries in this section. If three districts compete £250 is distributed, if four and up to seven show £300 is awarded, and if seven or over show the prize money is £400. The class for single farm collection in trophy form has been placed on a new basis. The prize money has been raised to £65, and a scale of points has been drawn for the guidance of exhibitors. Other classes have been strengthened, and the prizes for fruits have been raised all round. In dairy produce the principal class is that for butter, which is being judged every month, the prizes from each factory competing being taken from the agents' floors in Sydney and judged by the Government graders. A class for unsalted butters has been added to the long list, and this should prove very interesting, unsalted being a good demand for export. Some good special prizes are offered in the new section for leathers and their products, which promises to become a very useful and instructive feature of the show.

A sleeper squaring contest has been added to the woodchopping events, and will be decided on the last day of the show. The programme for the great exhibition is now very comprehensive, and, apart from the competitive sections, great increases in machinery and other manufactures are promised, while the displays of products from the State farms will again be very fine. Space has also been accepted by the Department of Mines. A fine exhibit of minerals is anticipated, and in all probability a coal trophy will be erected representing principal coal mines of the Newcastle and Hunter districts.

THE DANYSZ PROPOSITION.

Mr. W. A. Benn writes:—The whole question of Dr. Danysz's solution of the rabbit problem has now been relegated to the best scientific authorities of Australia, viz., the men constituting the Boards of Health of the various States. The advocates of the introduction of Danysz have had their hearing, and have had their case specially pleaded by Dr. Danysz and his committees. The report of an impartial witness has been considered. The verdict now lies in the proper hands, namely the scientific men who are entrusted with the sanitary interests of the Commonwealth. Referring to my correspondence on this question will show that the course now adopted by the Federal authorities is the course I advocated "ab initio." On the proposed verdict I have always been content to rely. If I am right in my contentions, that under no conditions is it advisable to sanction the spread of any disease, I shall feel fully justified in all I have said and done. If the verdict goes against my contentions, I shall accept my defeat.

SOUTH COAST AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES' UNION.

NOWRA.—A meeting of the council of the South Coast Agricultural Societies' Union has been held here to-day. Delegates were present from Wollongong and Kiama. Mr. Watson, vice-president, was in the chair. Mr. Anderson, of the Intelligence Department, wrote, suggesting that individual societies should endeavour to secure collections of the products of their respective districts to display at the department, especially at the close of the annual shows. Mr. J. B. Thomson, of Wollongong, moved "That the secretary send circulars to the societies on the subject." This was carried. Mr. Beatson read letters from eight societies on the proposal that the union should fix dates for the shows, five agreeing. It was decided to defer this question for three months. The railway Commissioners wrote, announcing approval of the rebate of 25 per cent. on carriage of fodder. After the discussion of Mr. Somers' letter, Mr. A. R. Morton, Nowra, moved "That the union abandon the district trophy for the Sydney show this year, but take it up next." He said the severity of the drought placed consideration of the display this year out of the question. Mr. T. Grieve, Wollongong, seconded the motion, which was carried. Inspector Notting wrote re the proposed departmental system of keeping the accounts of the society. Mr. Grieve moved, and Mr. Thomson seconded, "That representation be made through Messrs. Morton and Nicholson, M.L.A., with a view to the modification of the proposal." This was also carried. Mr. W. Noakes, of Nowra, said the Government seemed to desire to crush some societies. Mr. H. Colley, Kiama, said the Government certainly seemed to be working to harass the societies.

VICTORIAN WHEAT YIELD.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

A few weeks ago the opinion was hazarded that the State's wheat yield would approximately amount to 12½ million bushels. A further inspection of the crops reveals no reason why these figures should be greatly altered." The "Australasian" expert expects from 1,953,000 acres under grain a total yield of 12,322,375 bushels, or 6.3 bushels per acre. Last year the average was 11.13, but then the Mallee and Goulburn Valley had high figures. This year they are low.

BUTTER GRADING.

Mr. L. A. M'Intyre, Brisbane, writes:—In your last Thursday's issue I noticed some comments by your London correspondent having reference to a letter written by me on the subject of official butter grading. Your correspondent appears to misunderstand the real nature of our grievance. Singular as it may appear that the generally marked improvement in the quality of Queensland butter was almost coincident with the introduction of official grading in Queensland, I emphatically repeat that it has had little to do with the lifting of quality of our butter. About the time grading was introduced there was a general awakening throughout our dairying districts as to the importance of having butter factories erected in the districts where the cream was raised. These factories were built on up-to-date lines, and equipped with the most modern appliances for the treatment of cream and manufacturing of butter, and their location enabled farmers to deliver their cream much more regularly. Prior to this thousands of gallons of cream were being conveyed by vehicles distances of from 20 to 40 miles over some of the worst of roads, and also forwarded by rail in ordinary trucks, with temperatures often reaching 90 degrees, for distances of anything ranging from 100 to 200 miles. During the last three or four years this has undergone great change, although there are still a few factories labouring under this disability mentioned above, and with these all the official grading we have produces no improvement in their butters. We have factories in Queensland turning out butter equal to the best in Australia, but this is solely due to the fact that they receive their cream in perfect condition, and that the best of skill is employed in its manufacture. I have at all times expressed the opinion that the most substantial advantage of butter grading was as a medium of instruction to factory managers in Queensland it has not been accomplished by any such instruction. I have never heard of an instance where an officer from the Department of Agriculture has visited a butter factory and practically demonstrated his ability to improve conditions. The opposition which exists here is not opposition to grading, as although it has served no useful purpose in improving quality it would be perfectly harmless were it not accompanied with grade stamping of boxes to indicate quality; and I am pleased to note that your correspondent states that he thinks the London agents would prefer not to have the boxes stamped. I fully recognise that in case of forward sales it may be an advantage to have this particular butter graded, as it perhaps ensures finality of contract, and probably inspires confidence on the part of the purchaser. All that is asked for by the manufacturers of Queensland (and they are practically unanimous) is that grade stamps to indicate quality should not be put on the boxes. The system adopted in Victoria appears the most satisfactory, where, instead of endorsing grades on packages, they number them, and these numbers are made to correspond with the numbers on the certificates. For the London buyer this is much preferable to our system, because he is assured of getting the actual butter covered by each certificate. How we may sell 500 boxes of butter of a certain brand and grade, and perhaps ship 1000 of the same brands and grades, but the buyer cannot possibly earmark the particular 500 for which certificates have been furnished.

Your correspondent states that no serious reflections have been brought against Australian Government graders. If this is so, why the necessity for the recent new regulation by the Home and Foreign Exchange, which practically ignores grading where the quality is not in accord with the grade stamp. I know for a fact that last season there were many complaints about the grading in all the States, and I also know that Mr. G. S. Thomson on more than one occasion while in London had proof of faulty grading of Queensland butter, and that he cabled instructions to the officers to exercise more precaution. Even by last London mail a bitter complaint was made by one of the largest Tooley-street firms in their ordinary market report about the recent grading of Victorian butter, in which it stated that butter graded first was not equal to third grade.

PHYLLOXERA.

THE N.Z. POSITION.

In connection with the importation of grapes from N.S.W. to New Zealand the position, as far as the Department of Agriculture is concerned, remains unchanged. For some years New Zealand has prohibited grapes coming from this State owing to phylloxera. It is freely rumoured in the trade that this prohibition has been removed, and 1d per lb duty been put on grapes. The Department of Agriculture has had no official intimation of this, however, and as it has been corresponding with the N.Z. Government for a long time on the subject, it is highly improbable that the department would not be promptly informed. The probability is that the new regulation applies to grapes from South Australia, which is declared free of phylloxera.

It might be pointed out that while choice grapes in the height of the season are sold in Sydney for 1d per lb, the New Zealand grower who cultivates his fruit in the hot-house obtains 1s 6d per lb. Fruit from New South Wales would therefore find a ready sale at 6d per lb in the Dominion, a price which would be very profitable to local growers here. As experts are unanimous in agreeing that phylloxera cannot be conveyed by the fruit, it is regrettable that some arrangement between the two States cannot be arrived at.

THE HARVEST.

COOLAMON.—The new wheat is arriving steadily at the railway sheds. There is a vast difference between the yields—from four bushels to 16 bushels; but the average will reach only about eight bushels. The past season has been an object lesson to our farmers. It has also proved the stability of the soil, which has grown fair to excellent crops, with a rainfall of only 7¾ inches; this period covers the time from when the seed was sown to the time of harvesting. Owing to the 4¾ inches of rain last month, several farmers, who have just completed harvesting and stripping, are taking advantage of the good condition of the ground to commence ploughing.

A NEW ENGLAND ESTATE.

TO BE SUBDIVIDED SHORTLY.

BEN LOMOND.—It is definitely stated that Ben Lomond station, one of the finest estates on New England tableland, has changed hands, and the purchasers have signified their intention of having the whole area, some 13,000 acres, surveyed into suitable blocks for closer settlement. The station has for years been noted for its rich pastures; and, as it contains many miles of splendid flats, suitable for farming or dairying areas, it should command a ready sale. The news of the subdivision has interest throughout this favoured district, owing to the scarcity of first-class areas, particularly as the great bulk of the land is eminently suitable for potato-growing.

THE DANYSZ MICROBE.

BOURKE.—At the quarterly meetine of the Bourke Pastures Protection Board, on Wednesday, a letter was received from the Pastures Protection Board Council of Advice (rabbit-destruction fund), asking the board to use all the influence it could command to secure a fair trial on the mainland, under ordinary conditions, of the rabbit microbe of Dr. Danysz. A resolution, unanimously carried, "That this board is strongly of opinion that the Danysz microbe should be given a trial on the mainland. It having been clearly proved that the microbe already exists in Australia, and is innocuous to bird and animal life, there can be no sound objections to giving the method a thorough test. Since it is well known that the use of phosphorus is accountable for many bush fires, and if the Danysz microbe is only equally efficacious to other methods, the use of it would confer a boon to the man on the land." It was also resolved, "That the State and Federal members for the electorate be furnished with a copy of the resolution, with a request to use their influence in the matter."

FORESTRY COMMISSION.

NOWRA.—The Hon. A. Kethel, M.L.C. (president), and Mr. W. Freeman, Forestry Commissioners, took evidence here, and then proceeded south. Mr. Reuben Mason, sawmill owner, Bomaderry, in his evidence, stated that he favoured all Crown land carrying timber not suitable for settlement, whether at present reserved or not, being permanently retained for forestry purposes. Forester Crowley submitted a statement of the revenue and other forestry collections in his district during 1907, showing a good expansion of the timber trade.

DISTRICT ITEMS.

BLAYNEY.—Grasshoppers have mostly disappeared from this district, having done little damage on the whole. In places where they did a little damage stock did not fancy the grass. Stock do not fatten nearly so well as when rabbits were fewer and grasshoppers unknown. Lambs used to fatten very quickly, now their progress is slow.

BRISBANE.—The crops at Geraldton are splendid. A great season is expected.

COOMA.—The municipal council has applied for power to destroy noxious weeds, etc., and is now renewing the application in accordance with the regulations.

LIVERPOOL.—The Liverpool A., H., and I. Society has decided to hold future shows in the area granted some years ago by the Government for show purposes, and the work of improving the ground is being proceeded with. The buildings on the old showground are being demolished preparatory to their removal to the new ground.

WAGGA.—The district stock inspector reports that during last year 121,600 lambs were shorn in the district for an average yield of 2lb wool per lamb, against 3lb 2oz for the previous year. 280,000 sheep were shorn for an average yield of 6lb of wool, as against 7lb 13oz in the previous year. The depreciation was due to the severity of the drought in the early part of the year.

WOLUMLA.—Grass is scarce, and rain is much needed. Rabbits are greatly on the increase, and doing much damage to crops in south Wolumla. Potato crops are most affected by the pest, being rooted out and eaten in large quantities.

STOCK MOVEMENTS.

BREWARRINA.—3000 wethers, from Fennel's, Brewarrina, to St. George; 10,000 wethers, from Eurie Point to Woolerina (Stafford owner).

SUICIDE'S REQUEST.

DREADS PREMATURE BURIAL.

It was reported to Constable T. Dobson, of No. 6 Police Station, by the 11 year old daughter of Captain Voss, of 10 Campbell-street, North Sydney, that her father had committed suicide during the night. A letter to the coroner was found pinned on the wall of the bedroom. It was in the handwriting of the dead man, and stated that he had committed suicide by taking laudanum. A cup containing sediments of laudanum was lying near the bed. Deceased leaves four young daughters; to each of these he wrote a letter.

In one of the letters the deceased stated that the verdict which he wished to be returned was, "Death from an overdose of laudanum, self-administered." In a postscript was added: "I would feel obliged if you would allow a doctor to make certain of actual death, as I have always dreaded premature burial."

Deceased was an ex-ship's captain. At the time of his death he carried on business as a manufacturer of boot polish.

INFLAMMATION OF THE GUMS

is principally due to the accumulation of tartar around the necks of the teeth, or from the presence of a decayed tooth and roots. Inflammation is defined when the gums are of deep red or purple in colour, swollen, spongy, and tender, and they bleed with the least touch. This trouble is aggravated by neglect of proper and frequent cleansing of the teeth, and the use of injurious tooth powders, which irritate, and in reality leave a poisonous deposit on the teeth. The consistent use of that great germicide, Zam-Buk Tooth Powder, prevents the tartar formations which cause the inflammation, and at the same time hardens the gums, purifies the mouth, and creates healthy pearly white teeth. Sold in 6d and 1s 3d glass jars, with patent screw stoppers, by Chemists, Stores, and the Zam-Buk Mfg. Co., 39 Pitt-street, Sydney.—Advt.

EGG-LAYING COMPETITION.

BEROWRA.

For the nine days of the present month, ending last evening, the 60 pens of fowls at the "Herald" second annual competition made excellent laying, which, with the appearance of the birds, warrants the supervisors in predicting that the first month of the year will be a record one, as December was. For the nine days 1344 eggs were produced, being an average of 30.73 per pen. The best laying was done by Mrs. Wilkins' and A. H. Padman's White Leghorns, with 45 respectively, or five eggs a day from each pen for the nine consecutive days. Padman's birds, although commencing moderately, are now within 24 eggs of Miss Kemmis's celebrated pen in the first competition, and there is every prospect of their remarkable score of 1473 being passed before the end of the test. Messrs. Stewart Bros. report that a good shower two or three weeks ago tempted them for the third time to plant a quantity of cabbage and other green stuff, but again with no results. Despite this the figures submitted below show that there must be some good substitute supplied, the laying being nearly equal to that done in the prolific month of September.

Appended are the totals to last evening:—

	Pens	Nine Days	Total.
A. H. Padman, W. Leghorns	45	..	1,186
A. D. Craig, W. Leghorns	37	..	1,064
G. Wright, Blk. Orpingtons	31	..	1,054
S. P. Dart, W. Leghorns	32	..	1,023
Robert Farrar, W. Leghorns	43	..	1,013
Mrs. Mackie, W. Leghorns	39	..	1,012
Pierce and Hopkins, W. Leghorns	39	..	1,003
H. A. Jones, Blk. Orpingtons	29	..	998
Gough and Powell, W. Leghorns	36	..	987
W. Lodge, W. Leghorns	42	..	987
Bright and Thompson, W. Leghorns	37	..	983
E. R. Reynolds, Blk. Orpingtons	30	..	980
Kent Poultry Farm, W. Leghorns	21	..	972
W. Hayden, W. Leghorns	40	..	967
Misses Jones, W. Leghorns	41	..	950
Mrs. Wilkins, W. Leghorns	45	..	945
Samuel Ellis, W. Leghorns	37	..	933
William White, Blk. Orpingtons	19	..	941
Mrs. Cranston, Blk. Orpingtons	29	..	934
G. W. Pittman, Blk. Orpingtons	28	..	934
J. Gamble, Blk. Orpingtons	23	..	932
J. D. Hutchinson,- Blk. Orpingtons	31	..	927
Frank Moore, W. Leghorns	33	..	914
N. B. Ralston, S. Wyandottes	26	..	909
A. R. Kennedy, Blk. Orpingtons	31	..	908
W. Sturrock, Blk. Orpingtons	37	..	907
J. S. Oag, W. Leghorns	37	..	893
A. R. Skinner, Blk. Orpingtons	30	..	888
Wongo Poultry Farm, Blk. Orpingtons	39	..	880
C. J. Green, Buff Orpingtons	39	..	876
J. A. Salter, W. Leghorns	37	..	877
Leslie H. Coates, Blk. Orpingtons	32	..	876
George Glass, Blk. Orpingtons	29	..	874
Albert Warde, W. Leghorns	24	..	872
John Craig, Blk. Orpingtons	32	..	863
Cowan Bros., W. Leghorns	24	..	858
A. F. Exmouth, W. Leghorns	29	..	858
J. Sweeney, W. Wyandottes	22	..	846
L. K. Pettit, W. Leghorns	23	..	843
W. G. Gerard, W. Leghorns	23	..	835
F. Schrader, Blk. Orpingtons	28	..	834
Mrs. J. R. M'Mahon, Buff

BIRTHS.

SMITH.—January 6, 1908, at Boree Cabonne, Borenore, to Mr. and Mrs. Cecil M. Smith—a daughter.

SILVER WEDDINGS.

BOREHAM—SWINNERTON.—January 10, 1883, at St. James' Church, Sydney, by the Rev. William Hough, George, youngest son of William Boreham, of Cambridge, England, to Elizabeth Anne Swinnerton, eldest daughter of John Swinnerton, Coalbrookdale, Shropshire, England. Home papers please copy. Present address, Avoca, Wardell-road, Dulwich Hill.

DILLING—AYLES.—January 10, 1883, at the Retreat, Newtown, the residence of and by the Rev. Dr. Jefferis, assisted by the late Rev. G. G. Howden, John, eldest son of John Dilling, late of Surry Hills, to Alice, eldest daughter of the late W. H. Ayres, of Victoria. Present address, Kialuna, Mowbray-road, Chatswood.

DEATHS.

CAIN.—January 9, 1908, at 108 Bridge-road, Glebe Point, John Cain, in his 74th year. R.I.P. By request, no flowers.

DUNCAN.—January 8, 1908, at Westella, Alexander-street, North Sydney, infant son of H. and E. A. Duncan.

JOHNSTON.—January 9, 1908, at Royal North Shore Hospital, Norman Douglass Johnston, youngest son of Samuel Johnston, 200 Miller-street, North Sydney.

M'LEAN.—January 6, 1908, at Prince Alfred Hospital, Mary Ann M'Lean, of Duart, Darling Point, in her 74th year. Waiting.

MILLER.—January 9, 1908, at a private hospital, Sydney, Frederick T. Miller, headmaster Mudgee Grammar School, aged 42.

REEVES.—January 8, at a private hospital, Cooma, Robert A. Reeves, dearly loved and only brother of Fannie and Edward Craig, of 247 Trafalgar-street, Annandale, aged 37 years. At rest.

SIMMONS.—January 9, 1908, at his late residence, St. Quinten, Dora-street, Hurstville, Charles Simmons, beloved husband of Hannah Simmons, aged 84 years and 4 months. By special request, no flowers.

SKIPPER.—January 9, 1908, at Wyverstone, Woodville-road, Fairfield, Hephzibah Jane Fenwick, beloved wife of the late James Skipper, late of Pinmill, Suffolk, England, and 76 years. By her request, no flowers. Home papers please copy.

IN MEMORIAM.

BARNES.—In loving and affectionate memory of my dear wife, Mary Ann, who departed this life January 10, 1907. Gone, but not forgotten. May she rest in peace. Amen. Inserted by her affectionate husband, Michael J. Barnes.

BARNES.—In sad but loving memory of our dear daughter and sister, Mary Ann, wife of M. J. Barnes, who died January 10, 1907, aged 26 years. So dearly loved, so sadly missed. Inserted by her sorrowing parents, brothers, and sisters, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Redmond and family, 72 Darling-street, Glebe.

BARNES.—In loving memory of my dear sister, Mary Ann Barnes, who departed this life January 10, 1907. Inserted by her loving sister, Mrs. H. Dickenson.

BARNES.—In loving memory of our dear friend, Mary Ann Barnes, who departed this life January 10, 1907. May her soul rest in peace. Inserted by her loving friends, Ellen and John Barry.

BERRY.—In sad but loving memory of my dear mother, Lucy Catherine, who departed this life January 10, 1904, at 10 Catherine-street, Leichhardt. Peace, perfect peace. Inserted by her loving daughter, Mrs. H. Marshall.

BRYANT.—In sad but loving remembrance of my dear husband and our dear father, William Owen, who was called home January 10, 1907, at his late residence, 174 Enmore-road, Enmore, aged 46 years. Peace, perfect peace. Inserted by his loving wife and children.

BRYANT.—In loving memory of our dear brother, William Owen, who departed this life January 10, 1907. Forever with the Lord. Inserted by his loving brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. T. Bryant.

CAULFIELD.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Catherine Caulfield, who died January 10th, 1904. Sweet Jesus, have mercy on her soul. Inserted by her loving daughters and son-in-law, Mary and William Beale and Ellen and Ben Stevens, and Gertie.

CAULFIELD.—In loving memory of my dear sister, Catherine, who departed this life January 10, 1904. Inserted by her loving sister, Sarah Adlam.

Good was her heart, in friendship sound;
Patient in pain, loved all around;
Sweet to our memory, dear to our hearts,
Our love for her memory never shall part.

COZENS.—In memory of Richard Cozens, J.P., late of Sunnyside, Stanmore-road, Stanmore, who died January 9th, 1903.

DONOHOE.—A tribute of unfading love to the cherished memory of our dear departed mother, Ellen Donohoe, who died January 10th, 1904, aged 51 years. Native of County Cavan, Ireland. Rest in peace. Inserted by her sorrowing daughter, Maggie.

DONOHOE.—In sad but everlasting memory of our dear mother, Ellen Donohoe, who departed this life January 10th, 1904, aged 51 years. Rest in peace. Inserted by her loving daughter and son-in-law, Ellen and James Gilbert.

DONOHOE.—In sad but ever loving memory of our dear mother, Ellen Donohoe, who departed this life January 10, 1904, aged 51 years. Inserted by her ever-loving son and daughter-in-law, Tom and Ray Donohoe.

DONOHOE.—In sad but affectionate remembrance of our dear mother, Ellen Donohoe, who departed this life January 10, 1904, aged 51 years. Inserted by her loving son, daughter-in-law, and grandson, Mick, Ruby, and Henry.

GLYNN.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Mary Glynn, who departed this life January 10, 1906, at 3 Gladstone-street, Annandale. Inserted by her loving children, Archibald and Elizabeth.

GLYNN.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Mary Glynn, who departed this life January 10, 1906. Sadly missed. Inserted by her loving daughters, Phoebe and Sarah Whitbread.

HENDERSON.—In ever-sorrowing memory of Evelyn Mary.

Clasp me and kiss till my life be gone,
Let be part and the future be,
Some will forget, but as time glides on,
Wilt thou remember, O sea?

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MELBOURNE OR NOWHERE?

The statement made by the Minister for Works on the Federal capital site yesterday, if not actually authorised by the Premier, at any rate shows the working of the mind of the State Cabinet. Mr. Lee said first that "the fact that no decision had been arrived at was the cause of a good deal of antagonism between the leaders of the Federal and State concerns;" and he wound up with the challenge:—"If the Federal Parliament, or Federal Government, would only ask the State for a definite offer of a site the Government would be able to reply in a very few hours." These two pronouncements really put the whole history of the question in a nutshell. No honest decision has been arrived at, notwithstanding the selection by the Federal Parliament of Dalgety, and if Mr. Deakin really wishes to settle the matter he can easily get efficient help now from the State Government, as representing the people of New South Wales. Heretofore the politicians have played with the business. The Melbourne "Argus" and Sir W. Lyne are pleased to say that our representatives have never been united. They have talked, and voted, and given our critics the opportunity of saying that we do not know our own minds; and now we are asked to believe that the delay has not been true to character—it has been safe, not dangerous. The more delay the better—for Melbourne. If Dalgety has been unwisely chosen, then giving more time and still more time for reconsideration must be exceedingly good. If Dalgety has been wisely chosen, then time will show how very safe the lapse of years must be in revealing wisdom. Such is the southern argument, closing with the pathetic reminder that Melbourne is willing to consider an amendment of the Constitution which would give Sydney alternate ten year leases of the Federal capital. No guarantee is offered that a possible blank might not be filled by political manoeuvring with the name, say, of Ballarat!

But what needs to be said now, and said plainly, is that New South Wales feels very strongly about this question of the Federal capital. It was the essential understanding upon which union was consummated that, as Melbourne insisted upon ruling out Sydney, the Federal city should be in New South Wales distant 100 miles from here. Mr. Reid, at the critical Premiers' Conference, wanted the limit to be 75 miles. Sir George Turner tried to make the distance 200 miles. The present limit represents the compromise finally reached. Sir John See, when Premier of New South Wales, never faced the issue. His friendship, not to say alliance, with Sir William Lyne will explain a good deal under that head. It may also be true that Dalgety was among the sites selected by our Commissioner, and that Mr. Carruthers lent himself to the game of beggar my neighbour. But the people of New South Wales have never been in favour of Dalgety, and they have looked with disgust upon the wire-pulling and scheming which have led to the shelving of this vital question. Now, at last, Mr. Deakin has been put into a corner by Mr. Wade's forcible letters, and he is very much vexed at the determination and strength of his correspondent. Our Premier has, for the first time, given the State the lead it has wanted and the Minister for Works has simply emphasised the fact. Meanwhile we may note that as the present Federal Parliament has never been given a chance of dealing with the capital site, New South Wales representatives have not been able to show whether they are united or divided.

TROUBLE ON THE WHARFS.

When the wharf labourers invoked the aid of the Arbitration Court in the first instance they were agreeably surprised at the terms of the award made. They received more than they expected. In this respect they were something like the shearers, who probably would have been well satisfied had Mr. Justice O'Connor declared that 22s 6d per 100 was a fair shearing rate, and who were naturally delighted with the 24s which has seemed so excessive to many pastoralists. The wharf labourers, one would think, would be only too ready to trust their case again to the Arbitration Court; and, no doubt, the majority feel that they have little to grumble at, or at any rate that the Court will give them fair play if they have to submit again to its decision. But unfortunately as so often happens in matters affecting the unions, a minority is able to make serious mischief. It reminds us of a cartoon published some years ago by London "Punch," in which the Powers were supposed to be providing the ingredients of a Christmas pudding. Turkey alone had neither currants, raisins, nor spice to give; and was pictured as a youngster stretching on tip-toe over the top of a great basin with a sword trying to stir up the pudding. So in New South Wales to-day we have minorities endeavouring to put cold steel into our prosperity. The two hundred wharf labourers who have refused to handle cargo for the Hunter River and Illawarra Companies may honestly consider that they have right on their side in demanding an increase of wages. They work hard, their hours are not short, and there has been an increase of prosperity since the Arbitration Court first so agreeably surprised them. Why should they not have a share of the good things?

So did the Teralba miners argue, but they have accepted the position that the interests of the mass of miners must be considered, and on the advice of their comrades they have resumed work. Why cannot the wharf-lumpers on strike face the situation in the same way? Are we to assume that they are afraid of the Court which has so far served them well? It is true that the Court has not shown itself enamoured of their exclusiveness, and has given some latitude to free labour: but otherwise it has been a powerful ally, and there is no reason to suppose that it will treat their claims with even a suspicion of indifference. We may, of course, be asked whether we are willing at last to consider the State Arbitration Court a sound institution. But that is not the point. What has discredited the Court has been the readiness of unionists to accept its decisions when they are favourable, and to flout them when they are unfavourable. Compulsory arbitration is apparently to be used upon the masters but not upon their employees, if the wharf-lumpers now on strike are to be taken as an example. We fail to see how Mr. M'Gowen is to hold up his head when discussing the Arbitration Court, or the principles upon which it is founded, if at every turn unionists deliberately ignore both. Not that it matters very much, because the Court has for long enough been discredited on these very grounds; and until there is more genuine regard for fair play on the part of the men—for the demand of justice and honour, as between employers and employees—no attempts at arbitration along present lines will succeed. There is much more hope along the lines laid down at Newcastle with the new Court, in which conciliation is in evidence. But the wharf-lumpers on strike must see that they are on the horns of a dilemma by ceasing work. They are only on firm ground when they keep going. If the Arbitration Court is a good thing they are hurting themselves by ignoring it. If it is useless they are giving the Parliamentary Labour Party a slap in the face by publicly declaring the fact.

THE ASIATIC IN SOUTH AFRICA.

The proposal to bring the whole question of the Asiatic in South Africa before a general conference at Pretoria at which the several Governments shall be represented shows how eagerly the Transvaal dilemma is being watched, and suggests besides a unity of sentiment on this problem which the Imperial Government will have to deal with very cautiously, if it does not rather choose to leave the settlement wholly to the colonies themselves. Nothing could well be more interesting to us, for in a sense our battle is being fought in South Africa. At any rate, the preliminary assertion of the doctrine of the white colonies for the white race is of the utmost significance. The main question of the right of a colony to prohibit undesirable immigration is not, of course, raised so far as these Indians are concerned. That principle is admitted, but the problem enters at another door in the asserted right of a colony to pass class legislation against British subjects of another colour. It is doubtful if the British Government would have permitted the Boer Republic to enforce legislation such as it has tolerated from the colony—but that is a side issue. To understand the passive resistance of the Asiatics—and 10,000 of them are involved—we have to enter the psychology of the Indian mind. The compulsory legislation against which they are moving the Empire involves a registration of finger-print impressions on a peculiarly elaborate scale, and what is really shocked is the Indian sensitiveness. He feels that he is being treated like a criminal. Of course, it is not so, but we have to deal with the way people choose to look at these things, as well as the way they ought to look at them.

It is worth recalling the facts of the situation. The passive resistance to registration has been going on since September, 1906; and the difficulty has been brought to a climax by notices in the Transvaal "Government Gazette" last October announcing that all unregistered Asiatics found in the colony after the close of the year might be arrested and ordered to leave the colony; and that no trading license would be issued to an unregistered Asiatic. It is doubtful if Mr. Smuts could put a man across the border. But he could "order him to leave," and imprison him for disobedience. In the middle of last October, out of some 12,000 odd, less than 100 Asiatics had registered. Our cables on Tuesday show, according to Mr. Smuts, that many have now bowed to the inevitable, and he tells us that about half of the Indians remaining have been duly licensed to trade. But those who have gone have carried a new grievance with them, and the pity of it is that the root of the trouble is in a misunderstanding or a failure to make plain that a finger-print is not a stigma. A peculiar Mohammedan prejudice has further been crossed in the demand of the registration form for the mother's name.

Nevertheless, now that matters have gone so far, South Africa will probably be united—as the self-governing colonies as a whole will be united—in the belief that a vital principle is at stake. It is true that the question of Asiatic exclusion is not directly raised. But it is there in the background ready to stalk out on slight provocation. As it has been pointed out, sons of the Empire in three continents have to face the problem of race preservation against an advancing wave of colour; and it is vital to their existence that their barriers should be strong. Europe cannot understand the strength of our feelings at this point—a strength which inclines us perhaps to be harsh in the detail of administration. Mr. Dicey, commenting on the problem of the Japanese in British Columbia, said recently with great truth: "It is not easy for Englishmen who have never crossed the four seas to appreciate the well-nigh universal aversion with which their fellow-countrymen abroad regard coloured races." He might have left out the "well-nigh" and made plainer the fundamental reason—a reason that goes much deeper than the economic one of competition with cheap labour. And for that reason, much as we must regret that the susceptibilities of India have been wounded, important as it is that British prestige for justice and generosity should receive no set-back in our Asian Empire, nevertheless, what has been done must not be undone; and at this point more imperatively than at any other the implication of full self-government has to be asserted. In the face of the practical difficulty, we shall have to leave the academic problem of interracial justice to the doctrinaire philosopher, and keep our countries white, or perish in the attempt.

THE FOES WITHIN.

Australia has long suffered much at the hands of strangers, friendly and otherwise, who, having touched at one or two of the principal cities, go away to write or lecture about us. Two recent instances are furnished by Mr. Victor Clark, the American official who came here to study the labour movement, and Dr. Starr Jordan, whose entertaining University extension lectures are still fresh in memory. Mr. Clark succeeded in becoming reasonably well informed on the special subject of his mission, but when in the book that he published he attempted a large-scale sketch of the Commonwealth and its resources he only succeeded in betraying the lamentable inadequacy of his knowledge. Since his return home Dr. Jordan has been writing about Australia in an American magazine. If anything he is less happy in his impression than was Mr. Clark. With no unfriendly intention, we may be sure, but none the less unfortunately, he conveys to his American readers the impression that Australia is mainly a vast droughty waste, with a painfully uninteresting coastal fringe—a country dreary and monotonous almost in its every aspect. Showing up through his highly rhetorical pictures there is the broken outline of fact, but the proportionate significance of the fact is lost in the manner of presentation, and the general impression left is that of a country in which Nature is perpetually unkind. How grotesquely wrong all this is needs, or should need, no emphasising. We can forgive those, like Dr. Jordan and Mr. Clark, for their failure to appreciate the geniality, the varied beauty of the Australian continent, as well as the prodigious range and well-nigh immeasurable extent of its natural wealth, because they never had the opportunities for appreciation. They saw Australia only through the capital cities, and the Australia they saw is not the Australia that is.

But the abundant criticisms and descriptions which emanate from sources outside ourselves we can pass over, even if occasionally they are rather irritatingly wide of the mark. After all, Australia suffers no more than most other countries from the casual glance. Quite differently, however, should we regard misrepresentations and slanders which have their source within the Commonwealth itself. We refer in particular to the campaign which at the present moment is being carried on in England and Scotland with the avowed purpose of deterring emigration to Australia. Could any more wretched slander be possible than that uttered by Mr. Ben Tillett when he wrote to certain English papers declaring that "sweating, unemployment, and starvation rule in Australia with a rod that breaks hearts and lives," and urging emigrants that "it would be unwise for them to make a home in Australia, where the people grovel in the throes of poverty." Mr. Ben Tillett, it is rather pleasant to think, is not an Australian, but he nevertheless for a considerable period appeared to find this unhappy land where the people grovel in the throes of poverty a congenial, and doubtless sufficiently profitable, field for the exercise of his profession as an agitator. The trouble, however, is that not only he as an individual, but responsible labour organisations here have taken a hand in the dissemination abroad of statements calculated to render fruitless the efforts of the various Governments to induce desirable people to look towards Australia as an attractive place in which to found a home. In view of our imperative need of a large and speedy accession of white population in order to afford some guarantee of permanence to that white Australia policy of which the labour organisations like to think themselves the special guardians, any action taken to prevent the incoming of healthy people of our own race is not only in the highest degree unpatriotic, but is inexpressibly foolish. Every immigrant that is added to our population becomes a consumer of the produce of the labour of an indefinite number of others. Population means a home market, and home market means new and extended industries, and these, again, mean more employment and more wages. So that in trying to stop population coming in the labour bodies are not only keeping Australia nationally weak, but they are restricting the industrial area. That they will yet come to see this we believe, but whether they do or not the work of securing more people must be energetically persisted in, and the sooner the States and the Commonwealth can find a common basis of action in regard to it the more assured the result will be.

Saturday's "Herald."—On account of the large amount of advertising matter which has to be dealt with for Saturday's issue of the "Herald," advertisers and agents are requested to send in their advertisements as early as possible to-day, in order to facilitate classification.

"Empire Movement."—We have received from the Earl of Meath a letter which he has circulated throughout the British Empire in reference to the "Empire Movement," with which he has been closely identified for many years. In the course of this communication he writes:—"The observation of an annual 'Empire Day' is a secondary matter compared with the main object of the movement, which is the systematic training of children in all the qualities and virtues which tend towards good citizenship. The spirit of the movement is expressed in its watchwords, 'Responsibility, duty, sympathy, self-sacrifice,' and I need hardly add that it is entirely unconnected with any party or creed, that it is unaggressive in character, and that it appeals for support to every British subject, whatever be his race or colour. In order to facilitate such teaching, an 'Empire Catechism' has been published which it is hoped that every British child will learn by heart in the home and in the school. May I hope that your readers will use their influence to obtain the introduction of this 'Empire Day' catechism into any schools in which they may possess influence, and may I also remind them that as material aids towards the teaching of good citizenship the 'Empire Movement' advocates that every school should possess a flagstaff and full-sized Union Jack, a large wall map of the Empire, and a portrait of the King."

Immigration.—The Aberdeen liner Moravian, due here on Monday, brings as assisted immigrants 21 young women of the domestic servant class and 16 men. The Orient liner Ormua arrives to-day with 20 assisted immigrants, and almost every overseas steamer brings small parties of men and women desirous of making their homes in New South Wales. Many of them, though nominally immigrants, are possessed of a few hundred pounds, and have paid their own passages out. Generally the new arrivals are of a desirable type.

Declarations Galore.—An incident showing how declarations are sometimes made in a wholesale manner before justices of the peace, especially in connection with elections, came before the Newtown Municipal Revision Court this week. A large number of names were submitted for enrolment. In accordance with the Local Government Act, each claimant must before a justice of the peace "solemnly and sincerely declare" to all the facts stated in the notice of claim, in accordance with the Oaths Act. But the council clerk of Newtown (Mr. Mackintosh) discovered that these applications were all signed by the one justice of the peace, and the body of the forms seemed to have been filled in by the one hand. The council clerk summoned the justice to the revision court, and there he admitted that one person had brought him a bundle of declaration forms to attest, and that he witnessed these signatures. The council clerk objected to the names, on the grounds that the claimants had not made the statutory declaration in accordance with the Act. The presiding magistrate reserved his decision. But the question arises: How far is the practice of making such declarations carried on in connection with the new municipal franchise? It is alleged to have been done at recent Parliamentary elections. Supporters of a candidate were known to go from house to house, and finding that the occupier's name, or the name of some inmate, was not on the roll, they quickly produced forms of claim, with declaration forms at the bottom. The canvasser filled in the body of the document, and the claimant signed it. When the canvasser had about 20 of these forms he hunted round for a local justice of the peace, and got him to witness the signatures. In 90 per cent. of the cases the justice had never seen the claimants. At a recent State election it is alleged that a member of Parliament was twitted with having witnessed the signatures on a bundle of declaration forms, not knowing whether the person supposed to be making the declaration signed the document or not. And, whether the allegations are true or not, it is apparent that this is a phase of electioneering that should be watched.

Central Railway Station Telephones.—Representatons were recently made by Mr. Nash, M.L.C., that the slot telephones at the Sydney Railway Station were in inconvenient positions, and should be erected in front of the station near the bookstalls. The Deputy Postmaster-General, to whom the matter was referred, advised that the inconvenient positions were pointed out to the Railway Department, and permission asked for the placing of additional telephones on the main assembly platform, and that a reply had been received, in which is was intimated that the Chief Commissioner, on a recent inspection, recognised the desirability of removing the telephones to another position.

Proposed Boycott of Theatres.—At last night's meeting of the Sydney Labour Council it was explained that professional musicians engaged at theatres were employed at sweating rates, some of them receiving but 15s and 20s a week for long hours. A delegate suggested that as the council represented 80,000 unionists, a motion might be passed boycotting such places as paid by sweating wages. Another proposal was to refer the subject to a special committee. Replies were read from theatrical managers who had been asked to receive a deputation from the council. It was eventually decided that these should be referred to the executive of the council, which was requested to report upon the whole matter.

Fossil Fish.—Some years ago Mr. R. Dunstan, F.G.S., Assistant Government Geologist of Queensland, obtained a large collection of fossil fish from the brick pits at St. Peters. These fossil fish occur in the Wianamatta shale, and are of particular scientific interest, inasmuch as they contain types of fish closely related to the Queensland ceratodus. Associated with these are several existing types, more particularly a shark upwards of 5ft in length. Examples of these fish are now on view at the Mining and Geological Museum, in the Domain, where a large collection of fossil fish from Gosford and the Talbragar River are also on view.

Dispersed Without a Bomb.—A Social Democratic Federation conference was convened for last night at the Queen's Hall. A representative of this journal duly attended at the meeting-place, fairly well convinced that his presence would not be tolerated when the real business began. But no conference took place. One straggler joined the waiting reporter at 8.10 p.m., but he was not primed with any information. Soon afterwards a lady and her escort arrived, and awaited events. While waiting for the expected attendance of more social democrats the lady sought to convince the reporter that it was his duty to humanity to become one of the fraternity, and assured him that anarchy was not the dreadful thing the dictionaries would have us believe it is. Tolstoi was mentioned as a stanch socialist. After 20 minutes the reporter was given up as too doubtful a proposition to enrol, and as no other person turned up to take part in the conference the meeting was adjourned sine die.

District School at Mudgee.—Application having been made for the establishment of a district school at Mudgee, the Minister of Public Instruction caused inquiry to be made as to the amount of support likely to be accorded to such a school. As it appears from the local inspector's report that over 30 pupils resident at or near Mudgee would be likely to avail themselves of the higher primary course of instruction which would be provided, and as Mudgee is an inspector's headquarters and the centre of a large district, Mr. Hogue has decided that the present Superior Public School there be advanced to the rank of a district school.

Sydney Hospital.—At the last meeting of the board of the Sydney Hospital a communication was received from Dr. Ralph Worrall notifying his return to duty after protracted leave of absence. In all essentials he found that the gynaecological department of the Sydney Hospital was equal to any and superior to most of the great hospitals that he had visited during his travels in Great Britain and the Continent. A communication was also received from the Chief Secretary intimating that bed subsidy would be paid on 295 beds, instead of 220 only.

"The Jungle" on Tour.—A new departure, in the shape of a wandering co-operative colony, will be inaugurated by Mr. Upton Sinclair, the author of "The Jungle," on January 1 (wrote the New York correspondent of the London "Daily Express" on November 27). For several years past Mr. Sinclair has been an ardent advocate of the "simple life," and two years ago he started a colony, but it was burnt out recently. "The new colony will be Helicon Hall on the hoof," said Mr. Sinclair, in describing his new venture. "The colonists will live in waggons and tents. They will be vegetarians and non-rentpayers, and will practise dress reform. By this method we shall solve the problem of existence without servants, and shall get as near to nature as possible. The tour will last at least ten years. It will start in California, and will afterwards visit Europe. In England we shall visit Mr. G. Bernard Shaw, Mr. H. G. Wells, and the Countess of Warwick, spending a week at Warwick Castle."

A combined rail and river excursion to the Hawkesbury River will be made by train leaving Sydney at 9.5 a.m. (Milson's Point at 8.50 a.m.) to-morrow, and to Parkesvale, on the George's River, by train leaving Sydney at 2.10 p.m.

Mr. W. H. Mahony, M.L.A., has been appraised by the Minister for Public Works that the section of the new Booth-street tramline from Forest Lodge to Johnston-street, Annandale, will be ready for the trial run on Saturday, the 11th, and that the opening for traffic should take place on Monday, the 13th inst.

At the City Council's meeting on Tuesday, the tender of the Emu and Prospect Gravel and Road Metal Company was accepted at the following prices:—Nepean metal and screenings, at 8s 6d per ton, an increase of 6d per ton on previous contract; Prospect metal and screenings at 8s 6d per ton, an increase of 1s6 per ton on previous contract.

THE COMMONWEALTH.

FEDERAL ADVERTISING.

POST CARDS TO BE ISSUED.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

As far back as 1904 designs for postcards were called for by the Federal Government. A number of drawings and paintings were received, but up till the present nothing has been done with them. The secretary of the Postal Department, Mr. Scott, has taken the pictures from the official pigeon-holes and laid them before the Postmaster-General, who has now decided to call for tenders for their reproduction in colours, and in black and white. A committee, consisting of Mr. Bernard Hall, Mr. Dalgarno, formerly Deputy Postmaster-General, Sydney; and Mr. J. B. Cook, of Adelaide stamp-printing office, have selected the three most suitable for post cards. They consist of a sketch in oils of the falls at Tambourne Mount, near Brisbane, by Mr. F. V. Lahey, of Brisbane; an impressionist picture in oils of Sydney, from Neutral Bay, by Mr. J. R. Ashton; and a watercolour drawing of a scene near Ipswich, Queensland, by Mr. R. Randall. The artists receive £5 each. Several black and white designs were also sent in but they have not yet been dealt with.

DARLING HARBOUR STORES.

Foundation plans of a store to be erected by the Federal Government at Darling Harbour have been received at the Home Affairs Department, from Sydney, and passed. The building is to be of six stories, with all the latest devices for handling goods. It is to be used for departmental and defence materials.

POSTAGE-STAMP PRINTING.

Mr. Mauger, Postmaster-General, and Sir William Lyne, Treasurer, differ on the point whether designs for uniform postage stamps should be open to Australia only, or to the whole world. The former considers that, as it is desirable that the miniature pictures should be the very best obtainable, universal competition should be invited. This was the recommendation of the committee which deliberated on the subject. The Treasurer, however, is of the opinion that there is talent enough in Australia, not only to give the best class of work, but also the most characteristic. The Cabinet will probably decide the matter.

COASTAL METEOROLOGICAL INSTRUMENTS.

The steamer Lady Loch is now on her rounds of the Victorian lighthouses. By an arrangement with the State Government, an officer from the meteorological bureau has gone on the trip to test the weather recording instruments. Similar inspections will be made in all the States.

PERSONAL.

Sir Wm. Lyne (Federal Treasurer) and Mr. Chapman (Minister of Customs) arrived by express from Melbourne yesterday.

The Postmaster-General, Mr. Mauger, has altered his arrangements regarding his visit to Broken Hill, and will now arrive on Thursday, January 23, and leave the following night.

Miss Carrie Moore, writes the London correspondent of the Melbourne "Argus," is engaged to be married to Mr. William Proctor, of Manchester, and will leave the stage after her marriage in March.

At the official opening of the Master Builders' new exchange yesterday opportunity was taken by the members of the association to show their appreciation of the valuable work carried out by Mr. Edward H. Buchanan during the three years that he has occupied the position of president. Mr. Wm. Stuart, on behalf of the association, presented Mr. Buchanan with an illuminated address, a gold watch and chain, and a cheque for £150, together with a gold necklace for Mrs. Buchanan. Mr. F. W. Grant, representing the Exchange members, presented Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan with a silver tea and coffee service and a pair of field-glasses.

The following appointments for 1908 were made at the monthly meeting of the Sydney Hospital Board:—First senior resident medical officer, Dr. Archie Aspinall; second senior resident medical officer, Dr. Binns; resident pathologist, Dr. Stokes; resident skiagrapher, Dr. Edwards. The following new resident medical officers were appointed:—Drs. F. C. Rogers, M. Archdall, H. J. Ritchie, A. E. Colvin, W. E. Giblin, F. W. D. Collier, and R. J. Furber.

Mr. J. Macmillan, organist and choirmaster of All Saints' Church, Parramatta, has been appointed to a similar position at St. Matthias' Church, Paddington. Mr. Macmillan was made a presentation last month by his Sydney and Parramatta pupils.

Mr. W. T. Appleton, of Melbourne, has been unanimously elected chairman of the Australasian Steamship-owners' Federation for the current year. On the establishment of the federation in 1899 Mr. Appleton was elected chairman, and held office from September 25 of that year until December 31, 1903.

Major Eddy, one of the senior inspectors of the State schools, and senior major of the cadet force in Victoria, was found dead in his bed at Glenferrie, near Melbourne, yesterday morning. He had been attended for some time for heart trouble.

Late English mail advices state that Sir Malcolm M'Eacharn was making a good recovery from a somewhat serious indisposition, and that he proposed to carry out his intention to leave London for Australia by the R.M.S. Asturias on January 24. Sir Malcolm's visit to Melbourne will probably extend over several months.

BROKEN HILL EXPORTS.

A RECORD YEAR.

BROKEN HILL, Thursday.

The Broken Hill exports for the year 1907 amounted in value to £3,396,230, against £3,592,494 for 1906. These figures are net values only, and do not cover the actual value of the ore sent away. Of this amount minerals and mineral products represented £3,097,551, against £2,187,899 for the previous year.

The mineral figures for the year were:—Lead in ore, 143,344 tons, value £1,949,980; silver in ore, 6,619,179oz, value £323,227; zinc concentrates, 130,956 tons, value £364,791; silver-lead crude ore, 33,961 tons, value £138,033; copper ore, 540 tons, value £4463; gold in ore, 2952oz, value £11,808; tin ore, 2 1-5 tons, value £249.

The wool and skins exported were worth over £200,000.

The imports for the year were valued at £1,787,995 (Australian values £919,143, oversea £867,952), against £1,335,679 for 1906. The duty collected and cred

MYSTERY OF THE WOODS.

SYDNEY LADY'S DISAPPEARANCE.

BODY FOUND AFTER MANY MONTHS.

SUSPECTED SUICIDE.

LONDON, Jan. 9.

The police authorities are satisfied that the body of a woman found on October 10 in Wroxall Woods, Goring, is that of a Sydney lady who disappeared in May last. At the time of her disappearance the lady was in a state of depression owing to the alleged stoppage of her allowance.

A relative identified a gold-studded hairpomb found on the body as the property of the lady in question, and two lady acquaintances identified a silver buckle and the clothes.

Death is attributed to an overdose of morphia. A hypodermic syringe was found among the clothes.

The "Daily Mail" states that the body found at Goring is that of Mrs. Dolly Scott Harden, wife of a Sydney solicitor. A friend of hers says that Mrs. Harden tried but failed to earn a living by her pen and on the stage. She took morphia to relieve acute neuralgia.

Her friend received a letter from Mrs. Harden on May 9, stating that she intended to commit suicide, as she was terribly pressed for money, and was reluctant to live on the charity of friends.

The husband of the deceased woman, Henry Scott Harden, was well known in legal and financial circles in Sydney. For several years he carried on business as a solicitor in Post Office-chambers, Pitt-street. It is stated that he was separated from his wife, whom, however, he kept well supplied with funds up till the beginning of 1907. According to the cabled news, it was then that he ceased to send her money. In fact, it is known that she was sent home that allowance early in January, 1907, by one of Mr. Harden's clerks.

The time of the cessation of remittances coincides with that at which Mr. Harden left Sydney. Shortly before Christmas, 1906, he went away on his holidays. He failed to return at the time he fixed, and up till now has not put in an appearance. Every effort was made to locate him, and although the matter was placed in the hands of the police, no clue was got as to his whereabouts.

Mrs. Harden was well known in Sydney and London, for she spent nearly all her time in one or the other place, and was continually travelling backwards and forwards by mail steamer. She also visited South Africa. The deceased, who was a woman of strikingly handsome appearance, had no children, and was between 35 and 40 years of age.

EIGHT HOURS IN MINES.

COAL OUTPUT REDUCED.

PRICE INCREASED.

LONDON, Jan. 9.

An influential deputation, representing the Mining Association of Great Britain, waited on Mr. Gladstone, Home Secretary, yesterday, and urged various objections against the Eight Hours in Mines Bill, to be introduced into the House of Commons next session by the Government.

The deputation declared that if the measure came into operation the supply of coal must reduced by 10 or 13 per cent. There would also be an increase in prices.

Mr. Gladstone replied that Parliament desired a limitation of hours worked in coal mines. He admitted that the result would be to raise prices, and promised to do his best to find a basis of agreement satisfactory to employers and employed.

THE "TIMES" CAPITAL.

EMINENT SHAREHOLDERS.

LONDON, Jan. 9.

One result of the formation of the "Times" proprietorship into a limited liability company is that its capital will be increased by £200,000.

The shareholders include Lord Brassey, Lord Rothschild, Lord Strathcona, Lord Iveagh, and Sir Alexander Hander-son, chairman of the Great Central Railway.

LIABILITY OF EMPLOYERS.

AMERICAN JUDICIAL VIEW.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

The Supreme Court Bench of the United States, by 5 to 4, has declared that the Employers' Liability Act is unconstitutional.

It is explained in the decision that Congress exceeded its powers when it imposed liability upon common carriers for injury sustained by their employees.

The Labour party has resolved to agitate for the proper protection of workers.

MR. KRUGER'S GRAVE DESECRATED

CHARGES WITHDRAWN.

LONDON, Jan. 9.

Lieutenant Clark, of the Yorkshire Light Infantry, Lieutenant Herring, of the Royal Engineers, and Mr. Dickson, an ex-civil servant, who were arrested at Pretoria on October 30 on a charge of desecrating the grave of Mr. Kruger, on October 17, were yesterday again before the local court. The charges were withdrawn.

On October 17 the bust of the late President Kruger was found to have been torn from its pedestal in Pretoria cemetery and badly chipped. It was stated that the affair was the result of a drunken freak. One of the alleged perpetrators was unable to conceal the part he had played in the affair, and acting on information received from this source the police arrested the three men whose names are mentioned in the cable.

ANNEXATION OF THE CONGO.

OBJECTION IN BELGIUM.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

There is a growing feeling in Belgium against annexing the Congo Free State.

Many of the tribes in the State are in open revolt, and there is intermittent heavy fighting in many districts.

THAW IN ENGLAND.

BERLIN STREETS FROZEN.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

Following the intense cold which has prevailed throughout Europe, there is now a rapid thaw in London, with tempests on the coast.

In Berlin the streets are a sea of ice. Hundreds of pedestrians have been injured through falls, many seriously.

NEW ZEALAND FOOTBALLERS.

DEFEATED BY CUMBERLAND.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

Cumberland scored 3 goals 5 tries against the New Zealand Professional Rugby football team's 3 goals 1 try.

Cumberland pressed the game during all the first half, scoring 15 points to nil.

JINGO DECLARATION.

AMERICA WANTS A PRETEXT.

FOR WAR WITH JAPAN.

LONDON, Jan. 9.

Captain R. P. Hobson, of the United States Navy, famous for his dash into Santiago Bay, Cuba, during the American-Spanish war, in the collier Merrimac and his sinking of her in the channel, lecturing at Hartford, Connecticut, on Tuesday, declared: "America has been taking back-water from Japan. Now only one thing remains before war, viz., a pretext. America must refuse to let a crisis arise until the battleship fleet reaches the Far East."

Captain Hobson added: "It is doubtful if the fleet can ever get there."

Considerable indignation is evinced in America at such a display of jingoism.

THE VETERANS' FUND.

LARGE SUBSCRIPTIONS.

LONDON, Jan. 9.

Further subscriptions to the Veterans' Relief Fund, organised by Lord Roberts, are:—Queen Alexandra, 500 guineas; the Prince of Wales, 250 guineas; Lord Iveagh, 1000 guineas; Sir Ernest Cassel, 1000 guineas; Lord Burnham (proprietor of the "Daily Telegraph"), 1000 guineas; the Duke of Bedford, 1000 guineas.

AMERICAN BANKING CURRENCY.

A BANKER'S PROPOSAL.

LONDON, Jan. 9.

Mr. C. N. Fowler, chairman of the Banking and Currency Committee of the House of Representatives of the United States, has introduced a bill into the House providing for the withdrawal of all outstanding National Bank currency secured on bonds, and authorising instead a currency based on the general assets of the bank.

WOMANHOOD SUFFRAGE.

CABINET MINISTER'S PREDICTION.

LONDON, Jan. 9.

Mr. R. B. Haldane, Secretary of State for War, addressing the Liberal Social Council at Glasgow, said it would soon be recognised to be impossible to withhold the suffrage from women.

ROBBERY OF CROWN JEWELS.

IRISH COMMISSION APPOINTED.

LONDON, Jan. 9.

The Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, the Earl of Aberdeen, has appointed a vice-regal commission to investigate the robbery of crown jewels from Dublin Castle in July last.

Jewels belonging to the Order of St. Patrick were stolen from a safe in the office of arms in the Upper Castle Yard, Dublin, some time between June 11 and July 6 last. This office is directly opposite the State apartments and behind it, at the entrance from Cork Hill, is the military guardroom, outside which a sentry is posted day and night. Policemen are constantly on duty in both the upper and lower yards. With the Ulster office thus well guarded it is almost impossible to conceive that anybody could have reached the building unobserved. The keys were in the possession of Sir Arthur Vicars, Ulster, King-of-Arms. The official account of the discovery of the robbery states:—"About 2.30 p.m. on July 6 an official connected with the office of arms, Dublin Castle, had occasion to put some articles into a safe in which the State jewels belonging to the Order of St. Patrick had been kept, but on trying to unlock the door he discovered that it had been previously unlocked, and on testing the lever the door readily opened. The last time on which this safe is known to have been opened was on June 11 last, when the jewels were inspected, and found to be then correct, and there appears to be no doubt but that the door was locked when the inspection was over. There is no mark on the safe to indicate that any violence was used to open it, nor is there any indication to show that access to the building was obtained otherwise than by regular means."

The following description of the articles stolen is taken from official lists:—

Diamond Star of the Grand Master of the Order of St. Patrick, composed of brilliants (Brazilian stones), consisting of points issuing from a centre, enclosing a cross of rubies and a trefoil of emeralds and sky-blue enamel, with "Quis Separabit, Mdcclxxxiii," in rose diamonds—value £30,000.

Diamond Badge of the Grand Master of the Order of St. Patrick, set in silver, containing a trefoil in emeralds, on a ruby cross, surrounded by a sky-blue enamelled circle, with "Quis Separabit Mdcclxxxiii." in rose diamonds, in a circle of large Brazilian stones, surmounted by a harp in diamonds and a loop—value £16,000.

Five Collars of Knights Companions of the Order of St. Patrick, composed of gold, with roses and harps alternately tied together, with knots of gold leaves, enamelled, and an Imperial jewelled crown surmounting a harp of gold, one having attached a badge of the Order composed of Brazilian stones and the Cross of St. Patrick in ruby on blue enamel circle, with motto, "Quis Separabit, Mdcclxxxiii." in rose diamonds, the whole enclosed by a wreath of trefoil in emeralds on a gold ground enamelled in colours—value £1000.

THE LATE MR. G. McCULLOCH.

ESTATE GOES TO WIDOW.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

The estate of the late Mr. George M'Culloch, one of the original proprietors of the Broken Hill mines, has been valued for probate purposes at £375,000 net.

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Except for five legacies of £500, Mr. M'Culloch left his widow all his property. In the event of her dying intestate, everything devolves upon her son, Alexander, and in the event of his dying intestate the property is left to the Crown for charitable, educational, exhibition, or other national purposes.

MILLIONAIRE'S SUICIDE.

SUFFERER BY AMERICAN CRISIS.

LONDON, Jan. 9.

Mr. Charles Wadsworth Whitney, a banking millionaire of New York, has committed suicide. He was a large sufferer by the recent monetary crisis in America.

NEW ZEALAND PREFERENCE.

AID TO BRITISH TRADE.

LONDON, Jan. 9.

Mr. R. J. Jeffray, the British Trade Commissioner, who recently visited Australia and New Zealand, in his report on the trade of New Zealand admits that the granting of preference to British goods through the Customs has assisted British trade. He anticipates still better results under the new tariff.

INDIAN LOAN.

LONDON, Jan. 9.

India is issuing a loan of £5,000,000, bearing interest at the rate of 3½ per cent. The price is £98.

The Aquatic Notes in the "Sydney Mail" by "Trident" never lose interest week by week. The author is always well informed on important matches, and his remarks this week are full of interest.—Advt.

ASIATIC PROBLEM.

VOLUNTARY REGISTRATION.

INDIAN LEADER'S PROPOSAL.

LONDON, Jan. 9.

Mr. Gandhi, a pleader on the Rand, a leader of the agitation against the registration of Indians, undertakes that, if the element of compulsion is eliminated from the registration system, within a month every Indian will be registered in accordance with a form mutually determined.

CONFERENCE AT PRETORIA.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

The "Natal Mercury" urges the Transvaal to postpone dealing with the Asiatic question, pending the assembling of the Conference at Pretoria, when statesmen from the whole of South Africa who will attend might be able to devise a solution.

JACK THE RIPPER REVIVAL.

CRIMES IN BERLIN.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

Five crimes of "Jack the Ripper" character have occurred in the streets of Berlin, the victims in four cases being children.

These crimes are a continuation of those committed in Berlin at the end of July. On that occasion five girls were stabbed. In each case the children were enticed from the streets, where they were playing, by promises of fruits or sweets. No fewer than 50 men were taken into custody, and subsequently released. So great was the consternation that innocent men were nearly lynched because they were imprudent enough to ask directions from little girls, who at once shrieked with terror on being addressed.

THE RAND MINES.

DECREASED WORKING COSTS.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

The working costs of 63 mines, representing 99 per cent. of the entire tonnage on the Rand, were at the rate of 20s per ton treated for November, compared with 22s 6d, the average for previous years.

BATTLESHIP IMPROVEMENTS.

LONDON, Jan. 8.

The improvements which have begun on the battleship Collingwood include raising the turret amidships to enable all-round fire.

CHICAGO GREAT WESTERN.

RECEIVERS APPOINTED.

LONDON, Jan. 9.

Receivers have been appointed for the Chicago Great Western Railroad.

SUEVIC REPAIRED.

LONDON, Jan. 9.

The new bow of the Suevic has been united to the salved portion of the hull, and the vessel is now whole again.

VICTORIA.

MUNICIPALISING SPORT.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

A conference of members of the Warrnambool town council, and representatives of the local cricket and other sports clubs, has, by a large majority, approved of the scheme for the municipalisation of local sport.

DEATH FROM MISADVENTURE.

At an inquiry concerning the death of a workman named Alex. John Lane, whose body was discovered among the ruins of a fallen wall at the scene of the recent big fire in Elisabeth-street, the Coroner found that death was due to misadventure.

MR. BENT EXPLAINS.

Mr. Bent denies that the Government has adopted a system of nominated passages from England to the State. He says it gave assistance in three or four cases, the amount involved being £60.

Referring to the land question, generally, Mr. Bent said he was looking over the Crown lands that were available instead of buying private land. He intended improving and handing over some of the Crown lands to the Closer Settlement Board, so that it could go on with its work of settling people on the land.

NEW BUILDING REGULATIONS.

LIMITATION OF HEIGHT.

The city architect, Mr. H. E. Morton, has issued a draft of the first section of the new building regulations for Melbourne. At present there is no limitation to the height of buildings. It is proposed that in future no building shall be erected in streets 33ft wide and under exceeding in height above the pavement twice the gazetted width of the street; that in streets from 33ft to 66ft wide buildings shall not be allowed to exceed in height one and a half times the width of the streets; and that in streets over 66ft wide, the height of buildings shall be limited to 110ft above the pavement.

These limitations are not to apply to any church, ornamental towers, turrets, or architectural features. Where the building abuts on two streets, the height is to be determined by the wider street.

CLOSER SETTLEMENT.

In view of the excellent class of settler accommodated with blocks in estates purchased in different parts of the State by the Government, the Cabinet has decided to advance £32,800 to enable improvements to be effected.

COUNCILLORS ORDERED TO RESIGN.

In his annual report on the transactions of the borough of Queenscliff the Government auditor created a sensation by calling upon three of the councillors to resign. The case against the first was that he was an agent for an insurance office in which the scenery in the local town hall was insured; the case against the second was that he did not sign a declaration, on taking his seat, in the right place; and the case against the third was that, as proprietor of a job printing office, he did some of the council's printing. The resignations were promptly sent in, and accepted. Two of the councillors will seek re-election.

AN OLD CRIME RECALLED.

The relatives of Michael Quigley, who is serving 10 years' imprisonment, which was a commutation of a death sentence for assault upon a young woman at Ballarat in 1902, having unsuccessfully petitioned to the State Government for the remission of a portion of his sentence, appealed to the King. It was found that a number of the signatures on one of the State petitions, as well as an alleged letter from the victim, were forgeries.

A communication has now been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies referring the appeal to the King for submission to his Majesty's Ministers in Victoria, as being those with whom rests the decision. The decision previously arrived at is being adhered to, and Quigley remains in prison.

THE TRAWOOL RESERVOIR.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA NOT HEEDED.

South Australia seems considerably concerned over the decision of the Victorian Government to proceed with the project for constructing, at a cost of a million and a quarter, a reservoir at Trawool, on the Goulburn River. The Minister for Water Supply explained that there is nothing in the Murray River waters agreement to prohibit the State from storing its flood waters; but the Premier of South Australia protested against any diversion works that might interfere with the navigability of the Murray River and its tributaries, or the riparian rights of his State. Mr. Price's letter was tabled at a meeting of the Victorian Cabinet to-day, when it was decided that the survey should be proceeded with.

LABOUR'S DILEMMA.

ARBITRATION OR STRIKES.

IMPORTANT POINT RAISED.

One of the most important points in the future of the Labour movement was raised at last night's meeting of the Sydney Labour Council by Mr. E. J. Kavanagh, an ex-president. A motion had been moved by Mr. Harrison, the financial secretary of the Sydney Wharf Labourers' Union, that the council should give its support and sympathy to the Newcastle wharf labourers in their present trouble, and

Mr. Kavanagh asked what position the council would be in if it passed the motion. The delegates had been crying out night after night that they were in favour of arbitration, and now they were asked to support a union which was on strike against arbitration, in that it had not thought fit to invoke the aid of the Court to settle its dispute. Personally he was with the wharf labourers heart and soul. But the council as a council favoured arbitration. What, under the circumstances, could the council do? Was it going to favour a union which had an award and, being dissatisfied, went on strike, or was it going to stick to its previously-expressed attitude regarding arbitration as a method of settling industrial disputes? If it came to a question of endorsing the action of the Newcastle wharf labourers, he would feel it has duty to say that the matter was of such vital importance in the present history of political affairs that it would have to be fully discussed before a vote could be taken upon it.

Mr. Boxall (Tinsmiths' Union) hoped that every time the council would endorse their fellow-workmen. They all knew that they were not going in for starvation for nothing.

Mr. R. Kelly (president of the Sydney Wharf Labourers' Union) said that he could only support a motion to give the Newcastle delegates a hearty welcome to the council. He was not afraid of the results as far as the Newcastle men were concerned, nor as far as the Sydney men were concerned. He added: "It is up to us now to take our gruel, and we will take it whether it is without salt or sugar. We will work out our own salvation without asking anyone to assist us in our troubles." Wharf labourers, he went on to say, had enough intelligence to work out their own salvation without seeking assistance. (Cries of "Rot.")

Mr. Kelly: It may be rot according to some ideas, but not according to mine.

Mr. M'Cann hoped the Labour Council delegates and workers generally would all be united.

Mr. Harrison, in reply, said that his union was in an unfortunate position. "Although," he said, "we got there ourselves, we can get out of it." (Laughter.) Our union is really in serious trouble at the present time with the Coastal Steamship Owners' Association, not altogether in consequence of the Newcastle wharf labourers, but in consequence of a demand we made for increased rates of pay. We are killing two birds with one stone. We are endeavouring to improve our conditions, and at the same time helping the Newcastle men to gain their ends. There are three wharfs in this town where our men have refused to handle cargo. We have every hope of winning our struggle. We think we can get out of it without other unions embroiling themselves in such a difficulty as we are in. We have a sufficient monopoly of that trade to win. We think we can compel the employers to do what is fair and just.

The motion was carried unanimously.

In returning thanks, Mr. Rogers stated that whenever trouble had occurred anywhere Newcastle had never been known to send a man to take the place of those on strike or locked out.

RUGBY LEAGUE.

ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING.

NEW CLUB AT GLEBE.

A largely-attended meeting of the New South Wales Rugby Football League was held in the Glebe Town Hall last evening. The Mayor (Alderman Lucas) presided, and amongst those on the platform were Messrs. H. Hoyle (president), Knox (vice-president), J. Giltinan (secretary), G. Boss and H. Oldbird (Referees' Association), A. Burden, C. Hedley, F. Moir, V. Harris, J. Conlan (Glebe), A. M'Namara and A. Weymark (joint secretaries of the Glebe Club), T. J. M'Cabe (Lancashire), G. Hammill, F. Cheadle (Newtown), A. Hennessy, S. Fry (South Sydney), and A. Dobbs (Balmain).

The chairman said that the more opportunities given to young men in open field sports the more likelihood there was of their being made into good citizens and fathers. Football was a manly sport when properly carried out, and taught young men to conduct themselves in conditions of great excitement in a cool and collected manner. He was not going to say anything about amateurism or professionalism. He would leave those points to men who knew more about the technicalities of the game, and were thus better able to advise the course they should adopt. (Applause.)

Mr. H. Hoyle said it was remarkable that a section of the press—more particularly the so-called sporting section—had shown a most unreasonable antagonism to men who tried to introduce something new and better in existing conditions. Those present had seen what the N.S.W. Rugby Football League officials had been doing, and the hearty response from members was a reply direct enough to show their confidence in the league and their willingness to go on with the movement. The league was formed because it was believed that the set of conditions controlling the Football Union were not suitable to the democracy and social conditions of the Australian people. Did they propose professionalism? Certainly not. The idea was absolutely absurd. The officials proposed that the men should play the game without loss to themselves, and in a manner that would make it better and more brilliant than ever. If any of the men lost their time the gates that they would draw as footballers would have to make up their wages. (Applause.) If they were hurt whilst playing they would receive £2 a week for 16 weeks, with free doctor and medicine until they had recovered. There was nothing wrong about that. The money obtained at the gates would be used to perfect football. The gate-money would be disposed of in the following way:—After paying the ground fees and other expenses the balance would be disbursed by giving both the clubs and the controlling body 33 1-3 per cent. each. It was proposed to not only treat the players as men, but when they were going away to another State they would be able to maintain their dignity by having money in their pockets for expenses, at the rate of 5s, and in some cases 7s 6d a day, as well as being paid up to 10s a day for loss of wages. He knew of many players who had gone to Queensland and had paid away the 2s allowed by the Rugby Union in one "shout." They must remember that they could not take a drink if they were worthy of the name of "men" without reciprocating.

Mr. Giltinan displayed a cablegram he had received from England, which, he stated, was an invitation for an Australian team to visit that country. The sum of £7000 was in the bank there as a guarantee, and the N.S.W. Rugby Union would receive 70 per cent. of the gate money. (Applause.)

It was resolved to form a Glebe District Football Club, to be affiliated with the New South Wales Football League. The following were elected as office-bearers:—Patron, Mr. W. M. Hughes, M.P.; president, Alderman P. C. Lucas (Mayor); vice-presidents, Alderman L. L. Earl, Messrs. A. Buckle, R. Burden, and J. Sheerin; acting hon. secretaries, Messrs. A. Weymark and A. L. H. M'Namara; acting treasurer, Mr. R. Burden; provisional committee, Messrs. P. Bourke, P. Coleman, V. Harris, A. Burden, F. Moir, H. Griffiths, L. Edwards, C. Hedley, T. J. M'Cabe.

Amid a scene of great enthusiasm J. Conlan signed the roll as the first member of the new club, and nearly all those present followed suit.

A SAFE DYNAMITED.

THE THIEVES ESCAPE.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

Early on Thursday morning the Bowden railway station was entered by burglars, who blew open the safe with dynamite, and got away with four sovereigns.

The contents of the office were thrown about in great confusion. Although a policeman was on the spot four minutes after the explosion, the thieves escaped.

EXPLORERS' CHAPLAIN.

APPOINTED TO SHACKLETON EXPEDITION.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The Rev. A. E. Saxon, curate of St. Peters, Eastern Hill, Melbourne, has accepted the unanimous invitation of the officers and crew of the Antarctic expedition vessel Nimrod to become their chaplain. Archbishop Clarke, having given his consent, Mr. Saxon has arranged to leave New Zealand in the supplementary vessel of the expedition, which is now being fitted out. It is believed that this will be the first occasion on which an ordained chaplain has been associated with an expedition of a similar character.

CAPITAL SITE.

CHALLENGE BY THE STATE.

SETTLEMENT IN A FEW HOURS.

A pronouncement of an important nature was made yesterday at the opening of the new Builders' Exchange by the Minister for Works (Mr. Lee) in regard to the vexed question of the Federal capital site.

Though Mr. Lee did not say that he was speaking on behalf of the Ministry, little doubt was left in the minds of his hearers that he was voicing the opinion—if not the actual decision—of the Cabinet.

Mr. Lee said that while the master builders were employed notably in building up the capital of this State, he wished he was able to indicate when they would be able to build the Federal capital. (Laughter and applause.) The State Government was most anxious to come to a settlement of this vexed question. The fact that no decision had been arrived at was the cause of a good deal of antagonism between the leaders of Federal and State concerns. (Applause.) They only asked that faith should be kept on the lines on which Federation was started. (Applause.) The State Government could offer many sites more suitable than Dalgety. (Applause.) If the Federal Parliament, or Federal Government, would only ask the State for a definite offer of a site the Government would be able to reply in a very few hours. (Applause.)

TERALBA COLLIERIES.

RIGHTS OF MANAGERS DEFINED.

THE INTERIM DECISION.

NEWCASTLE, Thursday.

The Coal Mines Commission, appointed to arbitrate on matters in dispute between the colliery proprietors and the miners in the northern district, resumed this morning. His Honor Judge Heydon presided, and had with him Mr. H. S. Forsyth (representing the proprietors) and Mr. Peter Bowling (representing the miners).

Mr. Kelynack, instructed by Messrs. Minter, Simpson, and Co., and Messrs. Sparke and Millard, appeared for the Hunter District Colliery Proprietors' Defence Association; and Mr. A. Burns, a member of the miners' committee, conducted the case for the Colliery Employees' Federation.

His Honor said they had had a good deal of trouble with the question of cavilling and choosing of mates at Teralba colliery, because when they went into it they found it was mixed up with questions which properly belonged to the matter of machine rates and conditions. It had been difficult to separate the two questions. They had decided to give an interim decision, which would only apply to one cavil at those collieries, and before the second cavil became due they would be able to deal more fully with the question and make a complete pronouncement on the matter. His Honor then gave the interim decision granting a cavil under certain stated conditions.

His Honor then delivered the Court's interim decision as to cavilling and the choosing of mates in the Teralba mines,—viz., Rhondda, Pacific, Northumberland, and Northern Extended:—

(1) Cavilling and choosing of mates shall be allowed in the coal mines of the Teralba district as follows:—

(2) Within one week of the present date the mine manager at each mine shall supply the men with—(a) the number of plans and special plans to be cavilled for; (b) the number of parties which he requires; (c) the number of men to be included in each party; (d) the number of places to be cavilled for by each party; such list of places shall include all the special places and all the ordinary working places then opened in the mine with the exception of such as the mine manager wishes to reserve as spare places.

(3) The men then engaged in shooting and filling at tonnage rates in the mine shall then form themselves into parties so constituted as that—(a) their whole number shall be included in such parties, and (b) there shall be in each party at least one miner for every shift who is qualified and competent, and in whom the men have reason to believe that the mine manager has confidence, and the men shall then supply a list of such parties, and the names of the men in each to the mine manager.

(4) If, on consideration of this list, the mine manager finds that the composition of any of the parties is not to his mind entirely satisfactory from the point of view of the safe and efficient working of the mine, he may notify his objection to the men, who must then re-constitute the party to meet his views.

(5) If the men so wish, the scrutineers of the cavil may interview the manager about his objections, if any, but the decision of the manager shall be final.

(6) As to parties cavilled for special places the manager shall have the right to object to any parties which, in his opinion, may be unsuitable.

(7) The manager shall not, in objecting to the constitution of any party, do so from the point of view that the parties so formed will be unequal in speed of output.

His Honor said this decision did not cover the whole ground because the cavilling conditions and the general rates and conditions drove-talled to some extent. It applied, therefore, only to the three cavils. All existing conditions except so far as this finding altered them were to remain until they gave their decision as to machine rates and conditions.

His Honor then intimated that he would inspect some of the Teralba mines while the men were at work.

At the suggestion of Mr. Burns it was decided to visit Rhondda colliery to-morrow morning, and if time allowed the Pacific colliery. The other collieries will be visited next week.

The Commission was adjourned until next week at a date to be subsequently stated.

CONFIDENCE RESTORED.

NEWCASTLE, Thursday.

All fears of a general strike have now completely vanished, and the alarm of the last few days has lapsed into complacency. The decision of the Court yesterday, and the subsequent resolution of the Teralba miners to resume work, was taken practically as a guarantee that the crisis had terminated, and the resumption of work to-day confirmed that expectation. True to their decision the miners at all the Teralba collieries—Pacific, Rhondda, Northumberland, and Northern Extended—went back to work.

In shipping and colliery circles satisfaction was expressed that a further term of peace had been entered upon, and a feeling of confidence has displaced the uncertainty which lately disturbed the business relations of the port. The collapse of the strike made a much larger quantity of coal available than would otherwise have been the case. Many of the companies had been keeping back large stocks of coal at the sidings near the pits; and to-day they could not unload the coal fast enough. Naturally there was an eager demand for empty waggons, and a few days will elapse before the normal supply is available.

The Court gave its interim decision to-day on the questions of the cavil and choosing of mates at Teralba collieries. The cavil and the choosing of mates will by virtue of this decision come into operation in a week, but the Court gives the colliery managers the final say in the composition of the parties.

One of the South Maitland lodges has forwarded a notice of motion to the committee of management of the Colliery Employees' Federation, that the federation should protest against the Colliery Proprietors' Association engaging counsel to conduct their case before the Coalmining Commission now sitting at Newcastle. Mr. Kelynack is representing the Hunter District Colliery Proprietors' Defence Association at the Court.

NEW COASTAL STEAMER.

ORARA EXPECTED TO-MORROW.

The new and speedy steamship Orara, recently built in Great Britain for the Sydney-Byron Bay service of the North Coast Steam Navigation Company, Ltd., signalled Wilson's Promontory at noon yesterday on her way from Kinghorn, Scotland, to Sydney. The Orara has put up a splendid performance, for, notwithstanding the fact that she was delayed for two days in the English Channel owing to severe weather, she will complete the voyage from Scotland to Sydney, inclusive of stoppages, within 33 days. Mr. R. A. Bell, the manager of the North Coast S.N. Company, expects that the Orara will be alongside the company's wharf early to-morrow morning.

On her official trials the Orara maintained a speed of 16½ knots, and it is anticipated that she will average 15 knots on the coast. The new steamship is described as of handsome design, and fitted with all modern requirements and refrigerating chambers for the carriage of perishable produce. Accommodation has been provided for 200 passengers in two classes, and the furnishings are on an elaborate scale. The Orara is 240 feet in length, with a beam of 33 feet 9 inches, and a depth of 20 feet. Her machinery consists of a set of triple expansion engines of 3000 indicated horse-power.

STRIKE IN SYDNEY.

200 WHARF LABOURERS OUT.

HUNTER RIVER AND ILLAWARRA COMPANIES AFFECTED.

UNION MEN AND THE NORTH COAST COMPANY.

"NO HANDLING OF CARGO."

In conformity with the resolutions passed by the mass meeting of the Sydney Wharf Labourers' Union, no union men resumed work yesterday at the wharfs controlled by the Newcastle and Hunter River Company, the Illawarra Steamship Company, and the North Coast Steam Navigation Company. The last-mentioned company had not been employing union men for a considerable time, and its work was not affected. But, it being a party to the New South Wales Coastal Steamship Owners' Association, is concerned in the strike by reason of the decision of the unionists not to handle, for transhipment, any cargo carried by the North Coast Company.

The immediate effect of the dispute (which is one for an advance of wages) was that about 200 unionists who had been usually employed on the Hunter River and Illawarra wharfs were thrown idle. The companies reverted at once to their right under the award dated February 21, 1907, and engaged what non-union labour was offering. In the case of the Newcastle and Hunter River Company, sufficiency of free labour was obtained, but the Illawarra Company had not its full complement of hands, and other free labourers are now being invited by advertisement to accept the rates and conditions laid down by the Court.

There are about 3000 members of the Sydney Wharf Labourers' Union who are not at present affected by this dispute. But, as Mr. Harrison, the financial secretary, remarked, "There is no knowing where the thing is going to stop." Of course, if the dispute should be continued for any length of time it will follow that the strikers will have to be supported. In that way the union as a whole will be concerned, and possibly the whole question of waterside work might have to be reviewed. "Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof" was, in this particular respect, another very apt comment on the part of the union secretary.

The trouble occurred over demands made by the union, which the employers would not accede to. The union asked, among other things, for 1s 1d per hour for day work and 1s 6d per hour for overtime. In other respects it was desired to make variations in the industrial agreement in order to bring it more into conformity with the deep-sea agreement. The employers said, in effect, that if any variations of their agreement were to be made they would have to be done in a constitutional way. There it was that the deadlock occurred.

Mr. W. N. Cuthbertson, the secretary of the New South Wales Coastal Steamship-owners' Association, stated yesterday that the men had broken the agreement, and that the companies concerned were employing non-union labour. "There," he added, "is the position in a nutshell."

Mr. Harrison, the financial secretary of the Wharf-labourers' Union, explained that the men had been dissatisfied for some time past. They had had to do practically the same work as applied to the interstate vessels, and did not receive the same scale of payment. All the men asked for was that they should be paid the same rates as obtain under the deep-sea agreement.

POSITION OF THE OWNERS.

STATEMENT BY MR. F. J. THOMAS.

Mr. F. J. Thomas, manager of the Newcastle and Hunter River Company, Limited, is concerned in the dispute at Newcastle, as well as the dispute in Sydney. In the case of the Newcastle strike his company intends staging a case to the Arbitration Court for direction and interpretation of the award. As to the Sydney dispute he explained that work had been in progress under an award which had been obtained by the Wharf Labourers' Union. The union had cited before the Court the Interstate Steamship Owners' Association and the New South Wales Coastal Steamship Owners' Association, and though the respondents had had to do many things, they did these things loyally. They had, therefore, learned with surprise and regret that the claimant union had, by striking, placed itself in an illegal position. Members of the executive of the union had, he said, actually visited the wharfs and induced certain of the constant men to come out. If the men were dissatisfied with the award they could have stated their case to the Arbitration Court, and the employers could have stated theirs. The Court, in the circumstances, was the proper tribunal to decide whether the award should be varied or not, and his company was quite prepared to submit to arbitration.

Under a clause in the award it said: "Constant hands shall be entitled to the terms of the agreement, and, in respect to them, there shall be no preference to unionists." Mr. Thomas stated with regard to his company's constant men, that the company never inquired whether the men were unionists or non-unionists. They had simply been offered employment on terms.

"We pay our men," added Mr. Thomas, "42s per week of 60 hours. When they work after 6 p.m., and before 6 a.m., overtime is paid at the rate of 1s 4d per hour. In these circumstances constant men's average earnings amount to about £3 or £3 3s per week throughout the year. We could comply with the demands if the company was in the position to pass the increased expense on to the public, but it is evident, in view of the competition we have to contend with that we cannot increase our rates without diverting trade, and consequently we cannot afford to pay the demands. We will carry on with free labour, which is offering freely, and we trust that the authorities will afford us protection meanwhile."

QUIET DAY AT NEWCASTLE.

NEWCASTLE, Thursday.

There were practically no new developments in regard to the strike of wharf labourers today. The additional free labourers engaged by the Newcastle and Hunter River Company in Sydney, numbering 19, arrived by the Namoi this morning. About a dozen men have been sent to Morpeth to handle the cargo from the company's steamers there. The men at Newcastle have been working from early morning until well into the night, and seem quite satisfied with their work. The men belonging to the union meet at their shed on the wharf every day to discuss the position, and have shown so far no desire to interfere with the non-unionists. Very few interstate steamers are bringing any Newcastle cargo to the port, in view of the trouble with the Coal Trimmers' Union. The steamer Dorset, with an overseas cargo, which arrived from Sydney last night, discharged her cargo to-day with union labour at the usual deep-sea rates. The steamer Kincumber also discharged her cargo with union labour, the owners paying the advanced rates under protest. Free labourers were employed on the cargo of the steamer Archer, discharging to-day.

TASMANIA.

SUPPLY DEPOT AT PORT DAVEY.

HOBART, Thursday.

The correspondence between the Premier of Tasmania and the Prime Minister with regard to the establishment of means of communication between Hobart and Port Davey has ceased. Captain Evans, in his last letter to Mr. Deakin, said it was useless to continue it. He informs the Prime Minister that he has arranged for a report to be furnished with regard to the equipment of a supply depot at Port Davey. The cost of the equipment of this relieving base to be borne by Tasmania, unless the Commonwealth feels disposed to share in the expense.

THE WOOL SALES.

The wool sales here to-day evinced such an improved feeling and better prices as to surprise brokers and growers, who characterised the Launceston sales on Monday as a fiasco. About 50 operators altogether, and some of the foreign buyers, seemed to have received fresh instructions, as they bought largely at improved prices, especially for fine merino, four different lots of which realised 15½d. Crossbreds and coarser wools were unaltered. Lambs' wool was firmer. Merinos, in common with lighter and Lincoln, showed no increase over the last Melbourne series, but for finer wools there was a considerably better feeling. Skirts sold remarkably well. 12,000 bales were catalogued. More than half the lots were sold. The rest were withdrawn, growers putting on pretty stiff reserves.

FEDERAL SCARECROW WANTED.

TELEGRAMS SHORT-CIRCUITED.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

A block occurred on the telegraph line between Kilmore and High Camp last week. An officer was sent along the line to inquire into the fault, and it was found to be due to the presence of some thousands of crows perched on the wires, the weight of the birds causing the top wires to join the lower ones. The presence of the crows was due to the myriads of grasshoppers in the locality. Gangers and employees on the railway line had to throw stones to drive away the crows, when communication was restored.

DUSTSTORMS AND RAIN.

SQUALLS IN THE HARBOUR.

A BIG SHIP DRIFTS.

Oppressive and exceedingly unpleasant weather conditions were experienced in the city yesterday. A strong north-easter ruled throughout the day, and the streets were continuously enveloped in volumes of dust. The wind freshened considerably later in the afternoon, and during one severe squall at 3 o'clock the barque British Yeoman broke away from her moorings off Double Bay and drifted into dangerous proximity of the Italian ship Biagie O., but was brought to a standstill in time to avert a collision.

Another local squall passed over Sydney at 8.45 last night, at which hour the wind suddenly veered round from the north-east to the southward. During the height of the blow a velocity of 40 miles an hour was recorded, and light rain commenced to fall, accompanied by vivid lightning. The total quantity of rain measured by the Meteorological Department up to 9.30 p.m., however, was only three points.

Reports from the country districts show that hot and dusty conditions prevailed inland. Broken Hill advised that a blinding dust storm was raging there yesterday afternoon, and similar conditions were experienced at Wilcannia. The following stations reported temperatures over 90 degrees:—Cooma 93, Deni

PLAGUE PREVENTION.

VIEWS OF DR. HAFFKINE.

PAPER BY DR. ASHBURTON THOMPSON.

On December 2 last Dr. Ashburton Thompson was present at an important meeting of the epidemiological section of the Royal Society of Medicine, London, when Dr. Haffkine, the inventor of a prophylactic serum, and one of the world's foremost authorities on plague, was also present, and a valuable exchange of views took place.

Dr. Haffkine said:—The following propositions were now more or less generally recognised, viz.:—That (1) plague was what had been termed, in a general sense, a disease of locality; (2) that it was contracted principally at night; and (3) that the part which man played as direct agent in its propagation was a more or less subordinate one. This being so, the measures taken with regard to man, even when carried to perfection, could influence the propagation of plague only to the same proportionately limited extent. Dealing with inanimate objects, the list of measures within an area infected comprised, in this case, destruction or disinfection of houses, furniture, clothing, bedding, carriages, goods, warehouses, grain and other stores, garbage, drains, and streets. Plague bacilli had, however, been very carefully looked for, but had not so far been discovered in the earth, on the walls or floors of houses, or on any inanimate object, unless they were quite obviously and recently soiled by the products of a plague patient. From the first it was seen that under ordinary circumstances the microbe of plague was easily killed by disinfectants, and, therefore, if inanimate objects were important carriers of plague, disinfection should generally be an effective check to its spread, and on this presumption the above measures were devised. According to numerous observations, however, made by health authorities, a house, its furniture, all the belongings of the inmates, and the inmates themselves might be washed and disinfected repeatedly, and yet cases of plague might occur subsequent to each disinfection if people were allowed to stay in that house. Though general statements to this effect had been made by earnest observers, he was not aware of a precise and convincing demonstration by experiment of a case in which disinfection arrested the development of an epidemic of plague.

THE ETERNAL RAT.

Coming to the measures relating to the lower animals, these had for their object—and, he believed, rightly so—the rat and the flea. But spontaneous epidemics of plague broke out also among squirrels, tarbagans, guinea-pigs, monkeys, mice, kangaroos in Australia, and some other animals, which contributed to keeping the epidemic alive. Measures for the destruction of rats were now carried out wherever plague made its appearance. But nowhere, possibly, had the effect of these measures been more carefully gone into than in Sydney, under the direction of Dr. Ashburton Thompson. The campaign against rats was the most rational and the best founded of all the measures suggested for stamping out the plague. A carefully organised campaign against rats in Sydney produced, however, no sensible effect on their number; and the opinion to which the medical officer of New South Wales came was that extermination of rats in any large area by poisoning and trapping was practically impossible. India had now had, in the plague bacillus, 11 years' experience of a most devastating virus for these animals, and as yet there was no sign that this involuntary experiment had rid the country of their presence. In Tokio alone 4,800,000 of these animals had been killed, but the slaughter seemed only to have prepared more favourable conditions for the multiplication of the survivors. Though, therefore, the measures against rats were an important item in an anti-plague campaign, the question whether any noticeable impression could be made on the epidemic by these measures within the length of a generation, or even in a longer period, was a matter of great uncertainty. This often ended in disappointment, what might be termed the first stage of the struggle against that disease, namely, the efforts of stamping or keeping it out. When plague first occurred in a given quarter of a city, however, it remained confined to that quarter for a certain time.

VALUE OF INOCULATION.

The ultimate method of combating the bubonic plague in the form in which it becomes endemic, however, was that of conferring on the population immunity from the disease by means of an artificial treatment. The inoculation now in force in India reduced the liability to attack in the case of Europeans to less than one-third of what it was in a non-inoculated Indian. In the one-third of cases which still occurred the recovery rate was at least double that in the non-inoculated attacked, the ultimate result being a reduction of the plague mortality by some 85 per cent. of what it was in non-inoculated Indians. In an inoculated European an attack of plague, if it subsequently occurred, had, as far as was known to him, always ended in recovery. The inoculation was applicable to persons already infected and incubating the plague, and prevented the appearance of symptoms, or else mitigated the attack, a fact which disclosed a basis for the bacterio-therapeutic treatment of disease. In natives of India the degree of immunity conferred by this inoculation, though gradually vanishing, seemed to last during several outbreaks of plague; and in Europeans the effect had not yet been seen to disappear in the space of time since 1897 that this inoculation had been under study. That part of India now exposed more dangerously than all the others is the United Provinces of Agra and Oudh. Sir John Howett, the Lieutenant-Governor, had issued a detailed plan, approved by the Government of India, of organising a special service to carry out inoculations when plague reappeared. The poor, who could not afford to lose their earnings during the day or two of rest desirable after inoculation, were to be given assistance up to a sum of one rupee per person.

THE SYDNEY EXPERT TALKS.

Dr. Ashburton Thompson, in his paper, said the fundamental data acquired in the investigations at Sydney were:—(1) That the epidemic spread of plague occurred independently of communication of the infection from the sick; consequently the infection of plague spread by means which were external to man. (2) That the plague virus was harmless to man, but was nevertheless the essential cause of epidemics. (3) That the intermediate agent between rat and man (and between rat and rat) was the flea. The infection of man was most usually contingent on his being within buildings together with plague rats, and the rendering of such buildings rat-proof was absolutely the most important item in plague prevention, and even the only one out of the "whole number to which the epithet "preventive" could be justly applied. Attention was concentrated, however, on other measures which seemed to be more direct, but which, in reality, were merely incidental, or nearly palliative. The administrator faced by an outbreak of plague was perfectly right in relying on immunisation of the people—a possibility laid open to him by the genius of Mr. Haffkine—on evacuation, and on the destruction of rats. These methods were essential, not preventive; and consequently they were interminable. If a population were immunised this year it must, if it were reinvaded, be again immunised in a twelvemonth or a little later; evacuation might have to be repeated even during the same season; and to the killing of rats there was literally no end at all. But every building which was rendered inaccessible to rats might be regarded as a fortress impregnable to that enemy for ever. The arrest of personal outbreaks was a quite different matter from diminution of the liability of the country to suffer them. He did not doubt that when a broad and comprehensive survey of all the data had been taken it would be perceived that the excitation of the dwellings was the only measure which could permanently diminish liability to invasion of plague.

RIX'S CREEK STRIKE OVER.

COMPROMISE ACCEPTED.

SINGLETON, Thursday.

A meeting of miners on strike at Rix's Creek was held to-day. The chairman, Mr. Arthur Heuston, jun., explained that the manager wished to submit certain proposals. A deputation was therefore appointed to interview him. On returning the deputation stated that the manager offered the old system of 4s per ton for screened coal. The men were being paid 2s 9d per ton gross weight, and had struck for 6d advance, which the manager refused. About May last the miners thought it would be better to be paid for the gross weight than for the coal screened out in the mine. The machine was put in to ascertain the true percentage of small coal, when it was found 2s 9d for gross was equivalent to 4s for large. Although there was a difference of opinion, the miners agreed to the rate of 2s 6d, and had been working on such understanding until a fortnight ago.

After the deputation it was unanimously agreed to accept the manager's proposal. Rix's Creek coal is soft, requiring careful handling, and the proposal is altogether in favour of skilful miners. The miners will also be allowed to check the weighman, and to cavil for places. The latter will be an innovation at the mine. Work will be resumed on Tuesday. A good deal of satisfaction is expressed in town at the settlement of the dispute.

HEAT WAVE.

For hot weather and lassitude take "FISHER'S PHOSPHERINE." It holds you up famously. May be taken in whisky or wine; 30 drops make a dose. All chemists, 1s, four times 2s 6d.—Advt.

COUNTRY NEWS.

WELLINGTON WATER SUPPLY.

WELLINGTON, Thursday.

The municipal council have decided upon inaugurating a temporary water scheme, by which water will be pumped from one of the rivers into the reservoir, and thence into the town. At a special meeting on Tuesday night it was decided to obtain a suitable pump and engine for the purpose.

MUNICIPAL.

GOULBURN, Thursday.

New public baths are being erected in Victoria Park, and will be ready for use next month.

MOLONG, Thursday.

After calling for applications for a council clerk a second time, the local council has been unable to secure a certificated clerk at the salary offered, viz., £110 per year. At a recent meeting the council decided to write to the Minister administering the Local Government Act, pointing out that they were unable to offer increased remuneration, owing to the indebtedness of the municipality. They also agreed to support the Bathurst Council asking the Government to have the system of municipal accounts revised, with a view to a reduction in the expense and number of books.

WOLLONGONG, Thursday.

At last night's meeting of the North Illawarra Council the valuers reported that the difficulty which had arisen in connection with assessment on coal mines stood in the same position. A letter was received from the council's solicitors, stating that a special court would be required to adjust the matter. The council decided to take its claim before the Court. The regulations containing the new proposed system of account books was received from the Local Government Department. It was decided to co-operate with the Bathurst Council in an effort to get the new regulations respecting bookkeeping amended.

HOSPITALS.

LITHGOW, Thursday.

Messrs. S. H. Gannon (president) and L. Henry (secretary) has interviewed the Chief Secretary, Mr. Wood, with reference to a grant of £500 to the Lithgow Hospital in completion of a grant of £1000, which, it was understood, would be forthcoming when the contract for additions to the hospital was undertaken. At present there is only sufficient money at fixed deposit to meet estimated ordinary liability to the end of the financial year. Mr. Wood agreed that the committee had a genuine list of requirements for the £500, but would make no definite promise. He asked for a detailed position of affairs, and promised to consider the matter.

THE CHURCHES.

LOCHINVAR, Wednesday.

A reception was held to-day at St. Joseph's Church. Dr. Dwyer, Coadjutor Bishop of Maitland, presided, and all the clergy of the surrounding parishes were present. Four young ladies took the black veil, viz., Miss Moy, of Lochinvar, Misses Paul, Tracey, and M'Namara, of Merriwa. The Rev. Father Farrell, of Hamilton, preached.

BLACKHEATH, Thursday.

A snowstorm fair was opened by Mrs. Alfred Backhouse yesterday afternoon, in aid of St. Aiden's parish hall, and the debt on the rectory hall. The stalls were arranged to look like shops in a snowstorm. Good business was done, and the fair will be continued during the week.

BOURKE, Thursday.

The rise in the river has caused quite a stir in the steamer traffic. Several boats have arrived, and have been despatched from the local wharf.

COOMA, Thursday.

The Public Works Department informed the local council, in reference to the proposed water-supply scheme for Cooma, that an officer of the department would visit Cooma at an early date.

The municipal council passed a vote of thanks to Mr. Austin Chapman, M.P., for his energy in endeavouring to induce the Federal Government to carry out improvements and additions to the local post-office. The Parents and Citizens' Association has resolved to hold a sale of work on Empire Day to provide funds and augment the equipment of the superior Public school.

YOUNGBUBBO, Thursday.

Mrs. Synge, wife of Mr. Synge, A.J.S. Bank, died suddenly on Wednesday evening after a slight operation.

LIVERPOOL, Thursday.

A successful concert was given by the members of the Liverpool Amusement and Social Club, assisted by some specially artists, in the Town Hall last night, in aid of Mr. W. Thorn, of Moorbank, who has been incapacitated for work for many months past through a serious illness.

SINGLETON, Wednesday.

The municipal council decided last night to apply to the Government for permission to purchase saleyards within the borough.

WEE WAA, Thursday.

A purse of sovereigns was last night presented to the stationmaster, Mr. Kissell, by Mr. Coppleson, on behalf of the residents. He was also presented with an illuminated O.D.F. certificate, having been a prominent member of the local lodge. Mr. Kissell left here to-day for Raglan. His successor is Mr. Lochrin, lately stationed at Cryon.

WELLINGTON, Thursday.

Enteric fever is becoming very prevalent, and three deaths have occurred since Sunday from the disease. The epidemic is, no doubt, due to the lack of water. Few people on the east side of the railway line can obtain water at all at present.

WOLLONGONG, Thursday.

Mrs. Anderson, aged 83, who had resided in Corrimal for over half a century, died yesterday afternoon.

A Ladies' Swimming Club has been formed at Corrimal. The services of a professional lady teacher have been secured. At a largely attended meeting of ratepayers last night, it was decided to ask for extra police.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

SOUTH COAST RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

YESTERDAY'S SHOOTING.

KIAMA, Thursday.

The prize meeting of the South Coast Rifle Association was continued on the local range to-day, when the Commonwealth, President, and Sharpshooters' matches were completed. Following are the prize lists:—

The Commonwealth, 500yds, 10 shots.—First, £3: J. Pollier (Woonona), 47; second, £2, Geo. Lindsay (Wollongong R.C.), 47. The following won £1:—W. Mallinson, 46; T. Hobart, 46; H. Hobart (Albion Park R.C.), 45; James Sharpe (Gerringong R.C.), 45; G. Knight (Kiama R.C.), 45; M. Bennie (Berry R.C.), 45. The following won 10s:—P. Cleland (A.L.H.), 44; W. Hobart (Albion Park R.C.), 44; M. Lyons (Albion Park R.C.), 44; O. Sharpe (Gerringong R.C.), 44; C. W. Pratt (Wollongong R.C.), 44; (Shellharbour R.C.), 44; A. M. Parsons (Wollongong R.C.), 44; W. J. Faux (Dapto R.C.), 44; H. A. Johnston (E. Co.), 44; G. Price (E. Co.), 43; J. Forsyth (Wangaratta Valley R.C.), 43; E. J. Williams (A.G.A., Wollongong), 43; H. Love (E. Co.), 43; G. Brown (E. Co.), 43; O. Alexander (Jamberoo R.C.), 42; T. A. Bateman (Albion Park R.C.), 42; J. Campbell (Gerringong R.C.), 42; R. H. Weir (Gerringong R.C.), 42; R. H. Walker (Jamberoo R.C.), 42.

The President's: Open to all members of the association residents within the R.C.R.A. district, 600 yards, 10 shots.—£3, H. R. Hobart (Albion Park R.C.), 45; £2, T. H. Bateman (Albion Park R.C.), 42. The following won £1:—A. H. Williams (A.G.A., Wollongong), 42; R. H. Weir (Gerringong R.C.), 42; M. J. James (Gerringong R.C.), 42; G. Knight (Kiama R.C.), 41; W. Bennie (Berry R.C.), 41. The following won 10s:—J. Charlesworth (St. George's Rifles), 41; W. J. Faux (Dapto R.C.), 41; O. Sharpe (Gerringong R.C.), 40; E. R. Bigg (Shellharbour R.C.), 40; A. Campbell (Gerringong R.C.), 39; S. Alexander (E. Company), 39; R. H. Walker (Jamberoo R.C.), 38; W. H. Barham (Berry R. Squadron), 38; E. H. Robb (E. Company), 38; M. Carroll (Albion Park R.C.), 37; J. Wolf (Cockrill (Kiama R.C.), 37; C. W. Pratt (Wollongong R.C.), 37; G. Brown (E. Company), 37; M. Lyons (Albion Park R.C.), 37; C. Porter (A.L.H., Ulladulla), 37; J. Sutter (Woonona R.C.), 36; G. Griffiths (Berry R.C.), 36; A. W. Parsons (Wollongong R.C.), 36; J. King (Kiama Cadet Corps) 36; R. A. Jamieson (Berry R.C.), 36. Two scores of 36 were counted out.

SCRIMGER MEETING.

The annual meeting of the South Coast Rifle Association was held in the drill hall, Kiama, last night. Major Honey, V.D., president of the association, presided, amongst those present were Colonel Irving and Mr. H. B. Jamieson, representing the National Rifle Association of New South Wales.

Following are the members of the executive council of the association declared elected:—Major Honey, V.D., Captains Charles, M. Stevenson, James Sharp, Colls, Fuller, George Windsay, Lieutenant E. Ryves, Messrs. George Knight, Charles W. Prott, Ernest J. Marks, and Walter B. Armstrong. Captain B. Kelleher withdrew his nomination in favour of Mr. Armstrong.

WINDSOR, Thursday.

The second quarterly shoot of the Windsor Rifle Club yesterday, 200 and 300 yds., resulted:—J. W. Ross, 31, 32—63; — Gray, 31, 27—60; F. G. Ross, 22, 21—43.

AMUSEMENTS.

INVITATION CLAVIOLA RECITAL.

Last night a claviola recital was given at the Victoria Barracks Theatre, when a number of prominent artists took part. There was a good attendance, and the entertainment was thoroughly appreciated. Mr. Arthur Summons played all the accompaniments on the claviola, and gave three independent items. The artists taking part were Mr. Reg. Blemenschneider, who sang—(a) "Because," (b) "Dawn," and "Roses;" Miss Elsie Peerless, "Carmena" and "April Morn;" Mr. E. W. Fossil, "Nazareth" and "The Vicuna Blacksmith," with vocal effects by Miss Peerless; Messrs. Riemenschneider and Fossil, duet, "Excelsior;" Miss Phyrenese Archer, "Violets" and "To-night;" Mr. George Woolaston, violin solo, "Salut d'Amour."

CASUALTIES.

MAN FOUND DEAD.

About 12.30 this morning a man's body was found on the road near Lilybridge, Forest Lodge. His back was broken, and he had received other injuries. The Civil Ambulance conveyed the body to the Royal Prince Alfred Hospital, where Dr. Vicars pronounced life extinct. The man's name could not be ascertained, but he was evidently a carrier, as a carrier's certificate was found in one of his pockets.

FATAL KICK BY A HORSE.

Norman Johnson, 7 years of age, of Miller-street, North Sydney, when playing in Cameray Park yesterday, was kicked by a horse and injured in the head. He was taken by the police to the Royal North Shore Hospital, and on admission was found to be suffering from fracture of the skull, to which injury he has since succumbed.

SULKY OVERTURNED IN PARK-STREET.

SIX PERSONS THROWN OUT.

Mrs. Deveany, of Malony-street, Botany, with her five children, was driving down Park-street yesterday, when a runaway cart crashed into them. The sulky was upset and all its occupants were thrown out. Three of the children were unhurt, but Mrs. Deveany and the remaining two were taken to the Sydney Hospital and treated for injuries to the face and limbs.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT IN GEORGE-STREET.

Thomas Wilson, of Canley Vale, was crossing George-street, near the railway station at 5 o'clock yesterday, when he was knocked down by a cab. He was taken to Sydney Hospital in a semi-conscious condition by the Civil Ambulance. Dr. Furber found a serious fracture of the base of the skull.

CHILD RUN OVER BY A TRAM.

Yesterday afternoon Cecil William Lloyd, a little boy of 2½ years, living in Albion-street, Waverley, was crossing the Randwick extension tramway in Albion-street yesterday, when he was run oved by a tram. The car was quickly pulled up, but not in time to save the child. Both legs and the left arm were broken, besides a severe incised wound on the scalp. He was admitted to St. Vincent's Hospital in a critical condition.

KILLED WHILE HARVESTING.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

A Pittsworth farmer named Frederick Ranchle, while harvesting at Springside yesterday, fell in front of a load of lucerne, on his head, and was killed instantly. He leaves a widow and a large family.

TAILOR CUTS HIS THROAT.

AUCKLAND, Thursday.

James S. Wright, tailor, who arrived from Darlinghurst, Sydney, three weeks ago, committed suicide to-day by cutting his throat, and the veins of both arms, at a boarding-house in Mount-street.

FALL FROM HORSE.

WOLUMLA, Thursday.

Eddie Jamieson, aged 10 years, had a severe fall from a horse at Mr. Allens, south Wolumla. He had an arm broken at the wrist, and suffered other injuries.

RUN INTO BY TRAIN.

ZEEHAN (TAS.), Thursday.

A serious accident, which will probably be attended with fatal results, occurred on the Strahan-Zeehan railway line this afternoon. Michael Davern, an elderly man, a ganger on the line, was engaged in "sighting" the rails, when a special train ran into him, cutting his head very badly. He was conveyed to the Strahan Hospital, but his condition is considered hopeless.

THE PORT JACKSON SIGNALLED.

BOUND TO SYDNEY WITH CADETS.

The four-masted barque Port Jackson, at one time one of the famous fleet of Australian wool clippers, and now renowned as a training ship, signalled Wilson's Promontory at a quarter to five yesterday afternoon, on her way to Sydney. She left London on October 4, and therefore is 94 days on the voyage. Intense interest has been manifested in the movements of the Port Jackson since her last visit here with 100 Warspite boys on board a little over a year ago.

Two similar training schemes are now combined in connection with the Port Jackson, for, in addition to a further detachment of Warspite lads, in training as competent forecastle hands, she carries a number of cadets undergoing a course of instruction to fit them as officers. Captain Maitland is now in command, and already a programme is being drafted for the entertainment of the midshipmen and young sailors during their stay in Sydney. The Port Jackson will probably remain in port for about two months, and return to London, via Cape Horn, with a general cargo.

LABOUR COUNCIL OFFICERS.

The following office-bearers have been elected in connection with the Sydney Labour Council, to hold office for six months:—President, Mr. P. B. Marshall (Coachmakers' Union), unopposed; vice-president, Mr. H. Thyer (Furniture Trades Union); trustees, Messrs. M. J. Redy (Pressers) and G. Watkins (Typographical); Trades Hall delegates, Messrs. Campbell (Blacksmiths) and W. J. Reddy (Pressers); secretary, Mr. J. P. Cochran (unopposed); organising committee, Messrs. C. Fox (Bricklayers), C. Hogan (United Labourers), J. M. Lynch (Brushmakers), W. M'Dicken (Boot Operators), A. J. Newton (Painters), J. P. Osborne (Shop Assistants), and W. O'Neill (Bootmakers); P.L.L. delegates, Messrs. F. Glynn, E. Riley, J. Travers, and P. B. Marshall.

SHIRE COUNCILS.

AMAROO SHIRE.—A communication from the Works Department defining a public road as a strip of Crown land, though designated as a road on a map, does not become a public road until it is formally constituted as such, which may be done either by proclamation, dedication, resumption, or permanent reservation. Up to December 31, rates totalling £2295 had been collected, whilst there was a sum of £398 yet unpaid. An assistant clerk at £2 per week has been engaged.

BULLI.—A Court to revise the roll of electors for A riding was held here yesterday by Colonel Chisholm, P.M. There were about 80 claimants for enrolment, which took place before the Court in four lists:—(1) Those who had sent in the prescribed claim, accompanied by a statutory declaration; (2) those who had sent forth a claim without a declaration; (3) those who had sent the declaration without the form of claim; and (4) a list of those who had applied for the prescribed forms, and could not be supplied. The Shire Clerk read the names of all residents and property-owners whose names were both on the first roll, and entered in the rate-book as "owners." The magistrate disallowed all claims except those with the two prescribed forms of application. The president (Councillor Mitchell) attended on behalf of the claimants, and explained that the valuer had been late in getting his work, and that he was only on the eleventh hour he had made many clerical errors. That this was the case was clearly apparent by the names being both on the former roll, and entered by the valuer in the new rate-book. Moreover, in most cases claimants could produce their rate receipts. The magistrate was unyielding, and clung to the letter of the Act. Consequently an appeal for the same consideration at the hands of the Court that had been extended by the Government to nearly all the shires on account of the unsettled conditions owing to new proclamations, the machinery of a new Act. Indignation is strong, and many residents are determined to take action.

BYRON.—The shire expended last year £3000 on roads and bridges independent of maintenance, and has £1300 worth of contracts in progress. There were £700 in rates outstanding at the commencement of the year. If 10 per cent. is not received before the end of the month the endowment will be lost.

COOMA.—Mr. E. Searson, council clerk, has been appointed returning officer for the municipal elections in February.

GOODOOLIN.—The last meeting of the first Lachlan Shire Council was held to-day. Mr. J. E. Kinnear, of Sydney, was appointed shire engineer, vice H. G. M'Connell, who has been appointed to the Gunhart council. The president, Mr. O. A. Cameron, was presented by the councillors with a gold pencil-case, suitably inscribed.

GOOBANG.—The council has voted £100 for improving the road leading from Trundle Post-office past Trundle railway station. The tender of E. A. and T. Judd for the new bridge over the Billabong Creek has been accepted, the amount being £1200. The council approved of the proposal to permit of a trial being made of Danyau's virus for rabbit extermination on the mainland.

GUYRA.—At the monthly meeting of the council on Monday the financial statement for December showed the rates received amounted to £115 and expenditure £295. The total rates received to December 31 were £2817, and the bank credit balance on that date was £2715. The president's minute showed that the first half-year's subsidy of £1639 would make a grand total of £3458 for the new council to start operations with next month. The shire had exercised economy in its administration, and notwithstanding that a large amount of urgent work had been carried out the maintenance of the shire roads had been kept up to a fair standard. The Public Works Department notified that the responsibility of maintaining the flood boat at the Keera Crossing belonged entirely to the Guyra and Gwydir shires. The Mines Department asked if the council were voted £20 for the Tingha Pound would they find the balance to complete the new pound-yards. The council acquiesced, and the tender of Thomas Baker at £46 for erecting new pound-yards at Tingha was accepted. Mr. T. N. Rae was appointed returning officer for the forthcoming elections, and Mr. J. E. Phelan (shire clerk) substitute returning officer. President Green announced his retirement from the council owing to his leaving the district.

HUME.—At a meeting of the council the question of holding meetings at Albury was referred to, Albury being more convenient to many ratepayers than Jindera. Some doubt being expressed as to the legality of holding meetings outside the shire limits the council decided to ask the Minister's opinion. If the change should be legal a referendum of the ratepayers will be taken on the proposed alteration.

YASS.—Fine showers fell to-day and yesterday. They will do much good. It was raining last night, with the prospect of continuance.

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

THE SHARE MARKET

Yesterday's market in the mining section of the Stock Exchange may be described as listless or fretful, according to the point of view of the onlooker. The London cable reported a drop in the prices of copper and lead, and stocks of those descriptions suffered accordingly. Broken Hill claimed the greater share of attention, and, as on previous days of the week, Broken Hill Souths were to the fore—at declining prices. A good deal of it appeared to be of a speculative character—terms one month, at seller's option, and so on—but the trend of values was undoubtedly downward. The best price obtainable for the paid-up class of "South" was 63/, at one month's terms, while for six weeks the price was /6 lower. For contributing shares the sum obtained was 64/6. But the whole Barrier section trended downward in value; Junction Norths, for instance, were sold at 14/ and 13/9, and there was a sale of B.H. Junctions at 1/6, and of British Broken Hill at 13/.

Copper shares also reflected the weakness in the cabled accounts of the London metal market, and business at reduced rates was done in Mount Lyells, O.K., Mungana.

Tin shares were also weak, and two transactions were recorded—one each in Gilmore and Dalsiell.

In gold shares North Hillgrove, Occidental, Mount David, and Harden had business.

Sydney Stock Exchange.—The closing quotations were:—

COPPER.	Buyers. £ s. d.	Sellers. £ s. d.
Bogan River	—	0 4 0
Ditto, contributing	—	0 4 0
Budgery Mine	0 3 0	0 3 6
Chillagoe, contributing	0 4 3	0 4 6
Girilambone Mining	—	0 1 6
Hillsford	—	0 1 0
Hampden-Cloncurry, paid	0 9 0	0 9 6
Lloyd Copper	—	0 5 9
Lobb's Hole	0 9 0	0 10 0
Ditto, contributing	0 5 0	0 6 9
Mount Cannindah	0 0 6½	0 0 7
Mount Elliott	—	2 5 0
Mount Molloy	0 9 3	—
Mungana-Chillagoe	0 9 6	0 9 9
O.K.	0 5 1	0 5 2
Queen Bee	0 9 6	0 9 11
Wallaroo and Moonta	1 18 0	1 14 6
Kylee	—	0 0 6
Ditto, contributing	—	0 2 6
TIN.		
Briseis	—	0 10 3
Dalsiell's Tin Mines	0 1 6	0 1 9
Gilmore	0 5 0	0 5 6
Smith's Creek Proprietary	—	0 4 0
Stannum Lode	—	0 4 0
Stannary Hills	—	0 1 9
Vulcan	0 4 10	0 5 6
SILVER.		
New South Wales, etc.		
British Broken Hill	0 12 3	0 13 0
Broken Hill Proprietary	2 11 0	2 14 0
Ditto, Sunset	—	0 2 6
Ditto Block 14	—	0 16 0
Ditto, preference	0 14 0	—
B. H. Junction	0 1 3	0 1 6
B. H. Junction, North	0 13 6	0 13 9
B. H. North	1 10 0	1 11 0
B. H. South	2 2 0	2 7 0
B. H. South, contributing	1 18 4	1 19 0
B. H. South Blocks	0 9 9	0 10 0
Sulphide Corporation, ordinary	0 8 2	0 8 9
New South Wales, etc.		
Baker's Creek	0 4 8	0 5 6
Harden	1 1 0	—
Harden Central, paid	0 1 9	0 2 3
Ditto, contributing	—	0 2 6
Harden West	—	0 2 6
Ditto, contributing	—	0 1 6
Mount David	0 2 6	0 2 8
Myall and Peak Hill, paid	0 0 4	—
New Hillgrove Proprietary	0 8 10½	0 9 3
Occidental	0 7 0	—
Sunlight	0 2 0	—
Predicting and Shielding	—	0 4 6
Analgamated Tin	—	0 7 0
Arahuen Central	0 6 0	0 7 0
Associated Gold Dredging	0 4 6	0 4 9
Richland River	0 5 0	—
Buckland River South Extended	—	0 5 3
Cope's Creek	—	0 7 0
Mirrington	—	0 2 0
Jembaicumbene	—	0 2 0
Ovens Valley	0 5 0	—
Reform Tin, paid	0 1 7½	0 2 5
Tumbarumba	—	0 5 0
Turon River	—	0 9 0
Tasmania.		
Mount Lyell	1 9 0	1 10 0
Queensland.		
Brilliant Central	0 4 7	—
Brilliant Extended	0 0 8	—
Ditto, contributing	0 4 9	—
Kelly's Queen Block	—	0 2 6
Ditto, contributing	0 1 4	—
Marshall's Queen	0 1 3	—
Mount Morgan	3 6 0	3 7 0
Queen Central	—	0 0 10
Victory	—	0 0 10
Gympie.		
Columbia Consolidated	—	0 1 7
Great Northern Consg.	0 8 0	0 7 6
North Columbia and Smithfield, No. 3	—	0 1 8
Ditto, No. 2	—	0 14 0
North Smithfield	0 6 0	0 7 6
South Great Eastern, No. 2	0 1 5	—
Great Western	0 1 3	—
Ditto, contributing	0 2 0	0 2 2
Western Australia.		
Chaffer's	0 0 5	—
Great Boulder Proprietary	—	1 4 0
Queen Margaret	0 2 4	—

STOCK EXCHANGE SALES.

MORNING.

Copper.—O.K., 5/3, 5/2, 5/1½; Mungana, 6/6.

Tin.—Gilmore, 5/3; Dalsiell's, 1/7.

Silver.—B.H. Junction, 1/6; British B.H. (old), 13/; Junction North, 14/.

Gold.—Occidental, 7/6; Mount Morgan, six weeks' terms, 67/.

AFTERNOON.

Copper.—O.K. Copper, 5/1; Mount Lyell, 59/9.

Silver.—Broken Hill South (contg.), 64/6; ditto, terms two weeks, sellers' option, 64/6; ditto (paid), terms, one month, sellers' option, 65/; ditto, terms six weeks, 62/6; Junction North, 13/9.

Gold.—Mount David, 3/7; New Hillgrove, terms, one month, sellers' option, 9/; Harden, 21/9.

MINING NOTES.

Mr. C. B. Quinan has been elected a member of the Sydney Stock Exchange.

The directors of the Mount Brown Copper Mine have decided to put down a new shaft on the property.

An improvement has been noticed in the winze from the 266ft level at the Budgery mine, as a quantity of black ore has been uncovered.

The Pacific Mines Company have resumed operations at Wolumla. Payable stone is being raised. The battery and slime plant are in full swing, and tailing are now being treated by cyaniadlne. Operations have not yet been resumed on other portions of the field.

The Sandstone Development Company's report shows that in Juno C shaft, 190ft level, in the south drive the men are working at ore worth 60/ per ton. In the Wirraminna No. 2 raise the ore is estimated as worth 30/ per ton, and in the Wirraminna south drive the ore is said to be worth 90/ per ton. The reef here is 20in wide.

The value of the mining industry in Braidwood is shown by the fact that 7135oz of gold went away from the post office escort last year, in addition to fully as much more sent privately and by post. Most of this was won by dredges working in various parts of the district. Besides this nearly 2000oz of gold, also silver, have been obtained from stone sent to Cockle Creek for treatment.

London quotations for metals and mining shares on Wednesday were:—Copper, £61/10/ (m); lead, £14/5/ (m); tin, £121/10/; Block 16, 55/ (b); Block 14, 15/6 (b); ditto (pref.), 15/6 (s); British, 13/ (m); Briseis, 10/ (m); Great Cobar, £5/11/3 (m); Chillagoe, 4/3 (b); B.H. Proprietary, 64/ (b), 54/4½ (s); Mount Elliott, 42/6 (m); Mount Lyell, 29/3; Mungana, 6/3 (m); B.H. North, 30/ (b); B.H. South (paid), 65/ (b); B.H. South Blocks, 10/6 (b); silver, 2/6 3-16.

A couple of days ago or so some statements of the utility of the Gordon stope drill on the Rand were given in our cable messages, and its usefulness is in that message apparently greater than was to be expected from earlier particulars published concerning it. It appears to fill a long-felt want, as drills previously introduced required large space for their accommodation, whereas this one is so small that it can be worked in any place where a man can go. Its weight is 55lb, it is fed forward against the rock or bottom of the hole, it works by air pressure, hence it needs no screw feeding or shell. It moistens and ejects its rock cuttings automatically and without creating any dust. Hollow steel is used for the bit, and the water is forced through the hole under a head of 50ft, which is sufficient to keep down all dust. In starting a hole a 1¼in bit is used; this is followed by bits of one-eighth inch less diameter, until the hole is bottomed out with an inch bit. The drill strikes from 400 to 800 blows per minute, with strokes varying from ½ to 4 inches. Tests made at the Robinson mine, on the Rand, over a period of eight months, went to show that the fathomage of ore broken as the result of a native "boy" working a Gordon drill was equal to that of eight hand-drill kaffirs. In appearance the drill resembles a piece of 3in pipe, with a crank-handle attached.

MINING PROGRESS IN THE EMMAVILLE DISTRICT, 1907.

The highly active condition of the metal markets during the major portion of last year tended to stimulate mining operations at Emmaville, but the sudden and rather severe fall in prices towards the close of the year was keenly felt. The year 1907 will in many ways prove notable in the history of Emmaville, but chiefly in the fact that it marks a new era in the methods adopted in the handling and treating of alluvial deposits. The record prices realised for tin caused the dredging speculator to cast favourable eyes upon this district as a profitable field for investment of capital in the treatment of low-grade prospects by hydraulic sluicing. That the district offers inducement for mining enterprise is proved by the fact that one company alone is prepared to put down nearly £100,000 in the development of the property it has acquired. The new year finds four dredging plants in successful operation, and the success of these initial ventures will tend to stimulate further enterprise in this regard. Several miles of proved tin-bearing country lie below the Rose Valley workings, but this tract of country has proved too difficult for the individual miner, on account of excessive water and other handicaps. Altogether the future prospects of the district in a mining sense are very favourable, and under good market conditions the speculator will find profitable avenues for investment of capital. The value of the tin yield alone for 1907 is estimated at £39,000, and if the figures for wolfram, bismuth, and other minerals were available, the grand total would represent a handsome sum for the year's operations. The year has herein also been notable for the birth of several strong companies in the Stannum, Torrington, and Minerva districts, for the purpose of dredging mineral deposits.

INTERSTATE EXCHANGES.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

To-day's sales and quotations were:—

Western Australian mines: Associated, b 18/, s 18/6; Northern, b 17/6, s 18/; Perseverance, b/s; Cumberland, 4/6, b 4/9, s 5/; Boulder, 22/6, s 23/4½, s 23/6; Golden Pole, 1/1½, 1/11, 2/; Great Ophir, 1/1½, 1/1, 1/, b 1/, s 1/1; Ivanhoe, £7/4/, £7/3/, b £7/4/6, s £7/6/; Lake View Consols, b 7/6, s 8/; Princess, 1/2, b 1/3, s 1/3; Gwalia South, paid, 19/6, b 20/4½, s 20/9.

Various: Baker's, 4/9, s 5/3; Tarcoola Blocks, 1/4½, b 1/1½, s 1/2.

Silver.—Broken Hill, 53/3, 53/, b 53/, s 53/3; Block 14, pref., 14/10½, b 14/9, s 15/; British (old), 12/10½, 12/9, 12/6, b 12/6, s 12/9, (new) 10/3, b 10/, s 10/3; Block 10, 53/6, 53/, b 52/9, s 53/6; Junction, 1/5, 1/4½, b 1/4, s 1/5; North, 31/6, 30/9, b 30/9, s 31/; South, paid, 64/, b 63/6, s 64/; ditto, contg., 55/9, 56/, 55/3, b 55/, s 55/6; South Blocks, 10/3, 9/11, 10/, b 9/11, s 10/; Junction North, 13/7½, b 13/9, s 14/3.

Copper.—Burra Burra, paid, 1/9, b 1/9½, s 2/; Chillagoe, contg.,

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

STOCKS AND SHARES.

A larger volume of business was carried through on 'Change yesterday. City Bank of Sydney old shares rose 3/, Commercial Banking Company of Sydney 5/, Tooth's Brewery /6, and Colonial Sugar 5/, other sales being at late rates.

The following sales were reported:—Fresh Food and Ice Company, 14/3; Perkins and Co., 26/10½; North Coast Steam, 25/6; North Shore Gas, 39/; City Bank of Sydney (old), 77/. Afternoon: Bank of New South Wales, £43/5/; Colonial Sugar, £41/10/; Tooth and Co., 38/6; Commercial Banking Company of Sydney, £38/5/; Fresh Food and Ice, 14/3; Port Jackson Steam, 27/.

Closing quotations were:—

Company.	Amount of Shares	Shares Paid Up.	Last Div. per annum.	Prices. Last Sale.	Buyer.	Seller.	Yield to Investor.
STOCK.				£	£	£	
N.S.W. 5% due 1912				5	98	98½	
Do., due 1923				34	98	97½	105
Do., due 1918				4	101½	101	
Do., due 1915				4	99½	99	
Do., due 1915				34	99		
Do., due 1924-5				34	99½	99	994
Do., due 1930				3			
Do., due 1923				4	100½	100	
Do., Act, 1873				4	108	106	110
Do., 4 p.c., due 8/8/1907				4	100½		
Do., Deb., 1910				4		100	
Do., T. Bills, 1908				34	100	99	
Ditto				4	101½	100	
Do., T. Bills, 1911				34		99½	99½
Do., T. Bills, 1915				4		100	100½
N.Z. Deb., 1913				4	101	101	102½
Do., 1925				4	101½	101	
Queens. Deb., 1913				4	101½	101	
Ditto, Tr. Bills				4	101½	101	
W. A. Inscr., 1916				4	101/10	101½	99
Ditto, 1902				4			
Australian Gas Deb., 1927				4	101½	101	
City Bonds				4	103½	101	
Deb., 1922				4	103½	101	
Col. Sugar Deb., 1914				5	108	106	
BANKS.							
Aust. J.S.	34	1					
Australasia	40	40	14	100/15	101	705	85/
City	100	8	5	77/	76/	80/	
Do., New	10	8	5	67/6	67/6		
Commercial of Australia	10/	10/		10/			
Com. Syd.	35	15½	10	28½	28	284	
Do. New			10	20/2/6			
National of Australasia				80/			
Do., pref.	20	20	10	42/5/0	43½	43	
N.S.W.	100	62½	10	104	94	95	
N. Queensland	7	7	4	30/6		32/	
Q'ld. National	100	2	10	177			
Royal of Q.	100	9	6½	84/			
Union	75	25	14	60/0/0	60		
DEPOSITS.							
A.J.S. Bank—Class B., 1912				5	13/6	13/11	12/41
Class B., 1917				5	13/4	13/	
Do., Inscr.				34	12/6	12/	12/6
Com. of Aus.				5	17/6	17/3	
Assets				4	18/9	18/	
N.S.W. Deb.				4	13/1	12/6	13/
Do., pref.				4	19/	18/	
Do., def.				34	16/9	16/6	
Q. Nat.							
STEAM.							
Bal Fenry	1	20/	10	27/	27/6	28/6	
Howard Smith	20	20/	10	34/	34/	35/3	
Do.	20	20/	5	20/8	17/6		
Pref.	20	20/	5	20/8	5/6		
Do.	100	15	7	15/	14/6	22	24/
Illawarra	1	1	6	25/	24/6		
Newcastle	1	1	6	25/	24/6		
Northern	25	25	8	17/6	18	25/6	26/9
Ditto, pref.	25	25	8	25/10			
Port Jackson	1	15/		27/	26/	27/6	
Syd. Ferries	1	1	10	17/6	16/	17/	
Do., new			1	10	53/6	55/	
INSURANCE.							
A.M. Fire	1	15	14	46/	42/3	44/	
Col. Mu. Fire	1	20/	20	47/41			
Mar. Mut.	1	6/	14	18/6	18/6	19/6	
New Zealand	10	10	10	18/			
Queensland	1	10/	5	18/			
United	24	12½	6/16/3	9		9	
COAL.							
Bellambi	1	1	10	24/	23/6	25/	
East Greta	1	1	10	25/	23/6	26/	73
Hetton Greta	5	5	5	5/	4/6	5/	
Hetton	5	5	5	5/6	4/	5/6	
Metrop.	20		7		17/6		
Mt. Kembla	1	1	8				
Ditto, pref.	1	1	10				
Mt. Kembla Coal and Oil	10	10	5	7	24	26	
Newcastle	10	10	5	7	24/6	24/6	
North Bulli	1	20/		24/6		24/6	
South Greta	10	10/		14/	13/6	14/6	
Stockton	1	1	5	5/6	5/		
Ditto, new	1	16/					
W. of Clwydd	1	1	10	29/	28/		
Wallsend	10	4	10	99/10	99/6	994	
Waratah			1	1/	1/		
Wickham and Bullock Is.	1	18/		4/6	4/6		
Ditto, pref.	1	22/		20/	19/	22/	
GAS.							
Albury	1	12/6	10	22/		23/6	
Australian	6	6	25/	19/5/	19½	20	
Ditto, new	10	10/	10	14/	13½	14	
Do., pref.	10	10/	10	14/9			
Goulburn	1	1	15	28/6			
Grafton	1	1	8	30/44	30/		
Kalgoorlie and Boulder	1	20/		21/	21/		
Lyons	1	1			1/6		
Maitland	5	5	7	84/			
Manly	1	1	7	34/6	34/6		
Metro. new	1	1	8	23/	22/		
Sydney	1	1	7	23/	22/		
Newcastle	1	1	8	28/6	28/6		
North Shore	1	1	8	28			
BREWERIES.							
Cr. and Wood	1	1					
Dom.	1	1					
Perkins'	15/	15/	20/	26/10½	26/6	28/10½	
Tooby's	15/	15/	5	13/9	13/6	15/	
Tooth's	1	1	10	38/6	38/	38/6	
MISCELL'S.							
Agency	25/	10/	10	2/1	2/		
A. Taylor, Co.	1	20/	10	36/		39/	
Aust. News	1			12/			
R. H. W. Sup.	1	1	4/6	10/6			
Brown, Phillip	1	1	10	40/		45/	
Do., New issue	1	10/	10	20/			
Col. Sugar	20	20	10	41/10/	41/	41½	
Do., New issue	20	20	10				
Dalgety and Co.	50	5	7			64	
Dunlop Pneu.							
Dyer, prefs.	1	1	7	19/6		21/	
Emu B. Refl.	1	1		4/10½			
Ditto, pref.	1	1		10/		10/	
Esmo and Pneu.	1	10/	7½	20/	19/	22/	
F. Food, Ice	12/	10/	10	14/3	14/	14/6	
Goodlet and Smith	1	1	7	22/9	22/6		
H. Mackenzie, Ltd.	1	1	7	26/	25/6	27/	
Ditto, pref.	1	20/	6	20/	20/6	21/6	
Hyd. Metropolitan	1				1/		
Ditto, pref.	1						
Meth. Trans.	1	10/	10½	20/	19/6	20/	
Mort's Dock	1	1	10	28/		32/	
Ditto, pref.	1	1	6	19/6	19/6		
Paul and Gray	1	1	7½	21/	20/	22/	
Perpe. Trust	5	2/6	10	5/	5/	5/3	
Perpe. Trust	10	5/		13/6	13/3	13/9	
Q'ns'land Meat Ex. and Agcy.	1					19/	
Richardson and Wrench	1	1	8	19/6	19/6	20/	
Silv. Trust	1	1	40	74/6	74/	78/	
Syd. Cyclorama	1	20/	10	35/	34/	37/	
Syd. Hyd.	10	10	5	12½	11½	12½	
Syd. Hyd.	1	1	10	22/6	21/6	23/	
Tritto, con.	1	10/	10	15/6	15/	15/6	
Syd. Hyd., and G. E.	1	15/	15	31/		32/6	
W. H. Soul, Patt. and Co.	1	1	10	42/	42/6		
LAND and BD.							
Com. B. and L.				2/6		3/	
Keeds. Dev.				9/			
Ind. Prov.	20	20	6	19			
Intern. Inv.	1	15/	10	31/			
Wenn. B. and I.	1		10	20/			
Syd. Free. L.	1	6/7	80	3/			

* Where dividends are interim the yield is based on a year's distribution, otherwise on the last half-yearly one. †† Ex dividend. ** Ex interest. § Call paid. † For six months.

INTERSTATE EXCHANGES.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

Quotations: Bank of Adelaide, b £7/10/8, s £7/12/; Bank of N.S.W., b £7/8, s 20/; Elder, Smith, and Co., 6s, b 8s, s 9s; Metropolitan Brick, b 7/6; Bagot, Blaker, and Leach, b 20/6.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

Quotations: Queensland National Bank inscribed stock, b 16/20; Savings Bank, 5½ per cent. stock, b £99/10/.

Sales: Swallow and Ariel, 7/7; Queensland National Bank, 17/9.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

To-day's Exchange sales:—Vic. 3½ Treasury bonds, £99; ditto, 3 p.c. stock, 1917, £89/5/, £88/10/; City of Wellington, £99; Commercial Bank, pref., £5/13/; Colonial Mutual Insurance, £7/; Melbourne Trust, £6/5, £6/2/6, £6/0/; Silverton Trust, 77/; Land Trust, 9/6.

FINANCIAL.

THE MONEY MARKET.

The question of the day in Australia, as well as in Europe and America, is how far the financial upheaval on the other side will have the effect of making money more or less permanently dear. In considering this point, it must be remembered that while there is a hopefulness on the part of financial institutions to extend credit, dearness will continue as a speculative factor. As soon, however, as a clearing up has been accomplished, and a more normal state of affairs obtains, there will be a good deal of capital which will find it less easy than has been the case for the last few years to find profitable investment. We look for this authority of the "Statist" that in the United States, the general impression, which is fully shared in Europe, is that even after the crisis is over money will tend to become plentiful and cheap. The great shock to credit will prevent enterprise for a considerable time. Already there has taken place a very regrettable discharge of workpeople. All sorts of new enterprises have been stopped and plans which were about to be entered upon have been laid aside. Over and above all this, it has been impossible for a couple of months past to borrow except at prohibitive rates, and it is not likely that it will be possible to borrow for some time yet. Therefore, everybody is looking forward to a great shrinkage of trade throughout the United States. That will cause an accumulation of unemployed money in New York, which will lead in its turn to shipments of gold from New York to Europe. After a time, of course, the accumulation of money in New York will lead, first, to speculation in stocks, and, secondly, to willingness on the part of bankers and investors to lend to great corporations and great companies like the railway companies. But in the meantime there will be a period of very cheap money.

WHAT CHEAP MONEY MEANS.

The natural inference is that the accumulation of unemployed money in New York will not only lead to gold shipments from that city, but will render money much more plentiful and cheap in Europe. In Germany, for example, the general impression is that the accumulation of idle money which is sure to follow the check to trade which is already foreseen will be increased by the cheapness of money in New York. In Paris, money will also be rendered easier, for much of the gold shipped from New York doubtless will go to Paris, and it is reasonable to anticipate that a good deal of the gold recently shipped from London to New York will return to London likewise. Therefore, there will be in all reasonable probability much cheaper money all over Europe early in the New Year than seemed at all likely a little while ago. What is the meaning of all this from an Australian point of view? First of all, Australia is so isolated from the great monetary centres of the world that there is not likely to be much if any direct effect on the value of loanable capital here. In an indirect way, however, our money market may be affected. The Australian banks still have good balances to their credit in London, which during the last few months have been earning exceedingly remunerative rates. But a drop in the bank rate down to, say, 3 or 2½ per cent., would mean that the local banks would become more than ever desirous of finding investments for their surplus funds in Australia. This would tend to ease rates here, especially if the coming wool clip is well realised. Then again cheaper money in London and on the Continent would make it easier for the Australian wool growers to carry out of our primary products to finance their purchases for their legitimate requirements. This would also be to our advantage, for with a bank rate of 6 per cent the position of our customers on the other side must indeed be an unenviable one.

NON-COMMISSION INSURANCE.

The position of the old Equitable Assurance Company is of perennial interest to the insurance world. As is well known, this office, with its 52 years of life behind it, has never paid commissions for new business, and by its abstention has allowed younger offices to far out-distance it in the mere matter of size, if not also in other respects also. In the last financial year, which ended on January 31, 1907, the new life transactions of this office, apart from capital redemption assurances for £48,100 on the company's leasehold properties, amounted to £854,036, after deduction of reassurances; but, at least, the life premium income, amounting to £127,035, was less by £71 than that of the preceding 12 months. Yet the expenses and commission were increased by nearly £1000, and together amounted to £34,844, absorbing 27.4 per cent. of the premiums, or nearly 1 per cent. the average percentage expended by British life offices. This is not a favourable feature when prospects of bonuses to policyholders at the next quinquennial valuation, which falls due on January 31, 1909, are considered. The proportion of premiums expended exceeds the amounts expended for expenses and contingencies at the last valuation, consequently there can have been no profit from economy, which in many life offices is a very fruitful source of bonus. On the other hand, the incidence of mortality seems to have been satisfactory last year, the claims by death, amounting to £96,079, being stated to have been only 87.3 per cent. of the amount expected under the mortality table used for valuation purposes. The life assurance fund amounted at the end of the last financial year to £1,758,281, and the interest yield during the year is reported to have been £3 17s 4d per cent after deducting income tax.

THE MUTUAL LIFE AND CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION.

An illustration of the need of a Federal Act dealing with life assurance is given by the position that has befallen the half-amalgamated Mutual Life Association and Citizens' Life Assurance Company find themselves. These institutions deem it expedient—though it is not very clear that there is any legal need—to apply to the several Courts of the various States for authority to carry out the amalgamation to which the policy-holders of the one and the shareholders of the other respectively have already acquiesced in. Hearing has been fixed for May 5 next, after which date, the official manifesto is given, the new name will be adopted, and the two businesses fused on the terms already indicated.

BANK ABSTRACT.

Particulars of the abstract of the average liabilities and assets of the undermentioned banks for the quarter ended December 31, compare with those for the previous quarter, which are given in parentheses as follow:—

Bank of North Queensland, Ltd.—Deposits, not bearing interest, £57,291 (£61,067); deposits bearing interest, £1,006,612 (£1,011,); gold and silver, £59,934 (£58,853); advances, £1,134,226 (£1,135,442).

NEW DEVELOPMENT IN BANKING.

A clearing-house for mortgages has been founded at the instigation of the German Imperial Bank at Berlin. Thirty of the largest institutions in the line of business have agreed to meet on fixed days for settling their new investments and receipts by balancing the whole and taking each other's cheque for the surplus due. More important still is a new branch of business opened by the German Imperial Bank. When mortgages are to change hands, the bank offers to act as a trustee for receiving the documents in good time for the new lender to examine them, accepting the purchase money and paying an equivalent amount on the same day to the vendor, who is thus facilitating this simultaneous operation, the loss of interest and the expense of transmitting large sums of money from one place to another will be avoided. As on the quarter days many millions were being moved for the readjustment of mortgages, a certain stringency of the money market was the result of these transactions. That will be avoided from February 1 of this year, when the new system will have been inaugurated.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Arrangements are now being devised to place the shires and municipalities, to whom the land tax was handed over, in a position to readily get information as to transfers of land.

So far the Land Taxation Department has supplied this information, which it in turn received from the Registrar-General's Department.

Doubtless, a branch of the Registrar-General's Department will be opened to carry out this work.

Those who for some reason or other escaped the payment of the land tax for many years are now ascertaining that their sins are finding them out.

Stewart Dawson and Co. (Australia), Ltd., has been formed, with a capital of £150,000, in £1 shares, to carry on the business of jewellers, watchmakers, and electro-platers. The registered office will be in Sydney, and the managing director is to be Mr. J. M'William.

COMMERCIAL.

The firmness of all medium and superior quality teas was again yesterday the chief feature of the Sydney import markets. Two catalogues were submitted at auction, when satisfactory rates to vendors were obtained. Considerable sales were made afterwards on behalf of the same vendors at rates which were an advance of those got in the box. Privately good sales were also made of Indian, Ceylon, and China teas. The auctions will be continued this afternoon, when a catalogue of Ceylons will be brought under the hammer.

Some sales of wire netting, galvanised iron, and tinplates were made. All bagging goods were quiet. Very few transactions took place in other lines.

Local manufacturers' quotations for galvanised and plain iron showed a reduction of 10s per ton.

INDIAN COTTON REPORT.

The "Bombay Gazette" of Dec. 10 states that the final report on the cotton crop for the United Provinces estimates the outturn at 361,000 bales of 400lb, as compared with 634,000 bales last year. This large decrease of 273,000 bales, or 29 per cent., is, of course, due to the unfavourable season. The area sown was only slightly less than that of last year. Compared with the average areas of the preceding five and 10 years, the present year's area shows an increase of 34 and 33 per cent. respectively. The irrigated cotton crop received little or no injury from the prolonged drought, and the yield has been good, varying from 75 to 125 per cent. of the normal. The quality of fibre also is good. But the dry crop withered in most places, and the outturn obtained from it has been very poor—from one-eighth to one-fourth of the normal. Taking both irrigated and dry crops together, the yield of cotton in the Meerut and Agra divisions is estimated at about 55 per cent. of the normal; in Rohilkhand at 50, and in Allahabad and Lucknow at about 35. In the remaining divisions cotton is not grown to any appreciable extent. Owing to the damage caused by drought in adjoining provinces, the imports of cotton into this province are likely to be curtailed. If they are taken about one-half of their usual figure, i.e., at 20 million pounds, the total quantity available comes to 124 millions of pounds. The mill consumption is estimated at 52 millions, and as prices of food grains are very high the local consumption other than in mills will probably be much lower than usual, and may be taken at say 10 million pounds. This leaves a balance of 62 millions for export. The last year's crop was unusually heavy, and stocks are probably still available for export from that year's crop also.

SIZE OF CORNSACKS.

The Victorian Government does not intend to come into line with the Commonwealth in fixing the maximum capacity of wheatsacks at 200lb. Mr. Bent has drafted a Bill that the Cabinet has decided upon a maximum of 240lb. Although the Commonwealth had decided not to allow the importation of bags of a capacity of more than 200lb. in the past bags of up to 250lb had been used, but everyone seemed satisfied with 240lb. It was not intended to allow the big Java sacks to be used again. Mr. Bent also said that he did not know yet whether the State Government would enforce its decision by railway regulations or by legislation.

FROZEN MEAT CARGOES.

The following interesting reference to frozen meat is made by "Lloyd's Shipping Gazette":—"Frozen meat from the antipodes was long regarded as a ticklish interest for insurance, and even yet its reputation is not first-rate. But the freezing, transport, and delivery much has been learned, and claims for damage, sometimes heavy claims, are still by no means rare. In case of accident to the carrying ship, or of some breakdown of her machinery, there is no mystery as to the cause of damage to the cargo when she reaches her destination. Unfortunately the meat is not infrequently carried between shore and shore. Sometimes, possibly more frequently than appears, it gets soft between factory and ship, or is received into a hold of which the temperature has not been properly reduced. In such cases the lower tiers are apt to get crushed out of shape, and, however hard frozen subsequently, the carcases tell their own story on discharge. Whether the fault is with the shipper or the ship often remains, however, a point of speculation. The mysteries of meat damage are not infrequently too deep to fathom. Then there is the risk at the arrival end. Delays sometimes are delivered, or affirmed to have been delivered, from the ship in condition quite first-rate, only to prove badly "off colour," or even more seriously affected, when they are surveyed in frozen store."

DAMAGE OF COLONIAL MEATS.

The storeowner, like the shipowner, is indignant ("Lloyd's Shipping Gazette" also states) at the mere suggestion of a reflection on his refrigerating engines, and produces his temperature log in proof of his denials. Where then, or how, did the prejudice arise? The cold storage of frozen meat at a loss for an explanation if the fault be not with the ship. The shipowners know nothing at all about it, having put the meat overside hard frozen; or so they affirm with every appearance of conviction. The meat was, perhaps, only a couple of months on the voyage; several weeks in store at destination, and comparatively but a few hours in passing from ship to store. And yet there can be little doubt that in instances not a few it is just these few hours—these few hours, more or less of exposure which are responsible for the damage. The meat arrives under all sorts of marks, more or less mixed together. The colonial shipper loves a variety of marks. A barge is sent down to the just-arrived steamer for carcases of a particular mark, and as the barge's deck is found rather low is lowered into her. There they lie, in a roomy hold, perhaps in hot or muggy weather, waiting till the rest can be found. Perhaps this may not be for some time; the shipment may be scattered about the steamer's hold; and when the barge leaves eventually with her hold half full of meat and half full of warm air. Next day she comes back, hanging about, probably with her hatches off, and waits for the rest of her load. All the time any meat taken into the barge's hold is getting soft. And, perhaps, at the end of its journey the carcases have further to be carted through the streets to a frozen store. All this may be inevitable, but it requires no meat expert to arrive at the conclusion that much of the damage which colonial meat is made to suffer in damage which occurred neither previous to shipment nor during the ocean voyage. The history of it may be difficult or impossible in a particular case to prove, but that, more especially in hot weather, it occurred between ship and store is in many cases tolerably certain.

BREADSTUFFS.

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GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

Teas.—All teas remain very firm. Auction sales were held by Messrs. Fraser, Uther, and Co., Ltd. Under instructions from the importers, Messrs. Thompson, Preiss, Ralston, and Co., Proprs., Ltd., very solid, ex Mongolia, etc., 422 packages Ceylons at prices up to /10½ lb; also, on account of the importers, Messrs. Parbury, Henty, and Co., 523 packages Ceylon teas, at prices up to /8½ per lb. After the auction, 220 packages Ceylons and 205 Indians were sold at rates in advance of those obtained under the hammer. Other private sales reported were: 300 packages Indians and 350 Ceylons at up to /10, 120 packages Ceylons at from /8½ to /10½, 200 Chinas at /8½.

Cable advices from Calcutta received on Wednesday stated that the market there was firm for all kinds of teas, and small supplies were coming to hand. The Calcutta auction sales will be resumed to-day (January 10).

At 2.30 p.m. to-day Messrs. H. W. Carey and Co. will offer at their rooms, 18 Bridge-street, 1054 packages Ceylons for Messrs. Gibbs, Bright, and Co.

Sugar.—Messrs. Wm. Connel and Co., Glasgow, in their monthly report dated November, state:—"The American markets have been adversely influenced by the financial panic which has shaken confidence to the foundations, and prices of both raw and refined have suffered a loss of 10s to 1s per cwt. The Louisiana cane crop and the United States beetroot crops have suffered severely in their marketing from this financial disturb

FUNERALS.

CAIN.—The Funeral of the late Mr. JOHN CAIN will leave his late residence, 169 Bridge-road, Glebe Point, TO-MORROW (Saturday) MORNING, at 8.30, for Rookwood Cemetery. By request, no flowers.
W. N. BULL, Funeral Director.

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JOSEPH MEDCALF, Undertaker, Redfern.

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LAKE.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. J. M'STRAVICK, Mr. and Mrs. C. WILSON, and Mr. and Mrs. F. DAVIDGE, are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved MOTHER, Mrs. Mary Ann Lake; to leave her daughter's residence, 202 Cleveland-street, Chippendale, TO-MORROW (Saturday), at 1.30 p.m., for the Necropolis.
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LAKE.—The Friends of Mrs. CHARLES, Mr. and Mrs. WILLIAM, Mr. and Mrs. SYDNEY, and Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT LAKE, are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly-loved MOTHER; to leave 202 Cleveland-street, Chippendale, TO-MORROW (Saturday), at 1.30 p.m., for the Necropolis, COFFILL and COMPANY.

LAKE.—The Friends of Mrs. LOUISA M'STRAVICK, Sen., are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of her late dearly-loved SISTER, Mrs. Mary Ann Lake; to leave 202 Cleveland-street, Chippendale, TO-MORROW (Saturday), at 1.30 p.m., for the Necropolis. COFFILL and COMPANY.

LAKE.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT LAKE are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly-loved SISTER-IN-LAW, Mrs. Mary A. Lake; to leave 202 Cleveland-street, Chippendale, TO-MORROW (Saturday), at 1.30, for the Necropolis.
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MACKENZIE.—The Funeral of MARJORIE FLORENCE MACKENZIE, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mackenzie, Albert-street, Summer Hill, will take place TO-DAY, Friday. Funeral will leave Thirroul at 4 o'clock for Bulli Cemetery. Age 5 months.

MILLER.—The Funeral of the late Mr. FREDERICK G. MILLER will move from our Funeral Parlour, 70 Castlereagh-street, THIS FRIDAY, at 2.45 p.m., for the Gore Hill Cemetery.
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REEVES.—The Relatives and Friends of Mrs. A. REEVES are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her dearly loved HUSBAND, Robert A. Reeves, which will leave his mother's residence, 14 Hume-street, North Sydney, THIS DAY, at 3.30, for St. Thomas' Cemetery, North Sydney.

REEVES.—The Friends of Mrs. E. REEVES and Mr. the Misses MAY, SARAH, and BESSIE REEVES are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly loved SON and BROTHER, Robert A. Reeves, which will leave 14 Hume-street, North Sydney, THIS DAY, at 3.30, for St. Thomas' Cemetery, North Syd.

REEVES.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. EDWARD CRAIG, of Trafalgar-street, Annandale, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly loved and only BROTHER, Robert A. Reeves, which will leave 14 Hume-street, North Sydney, THIS DAY, at 3.30, for St. Thomas' Cemetery, North Sydney.

REEVES.—The Friends of Mr. HARRY DAVIS, of Mr. Kyloe Copper Mine, Cassilis, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his much-esteemed FRIEND, the late Robert A. Reeves, which will leave his mother's residence, 14 Hume-st, North Sydney, THIS DAY, at 3.30, for St. Thomas' Cemetery, North Syd.

SHIEL.—A MASS will be celebrated in St. Mary's Cathedral THIS (Friday) MORNING, at 7 o'clock, for the eternal repose of the soul of FRANCIS JAMES SHIEL, of Round Hill, Picton.

SHIEL.—The Friends of Mrs. ELLEN SHIEL are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her dearly beloved HUSBAND, Francis James Shiel, of Round Hill, Picton; to move from the R.C. Church of St. Anthony, Picton, TO-MORROW, Saturday, at 9.30 a.m., for the R.C. Cemetery, Appin.
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SHIEL.—The Friends of DENIS, WILLIAM, MAURICE, THOMAS, and CATHERINE, Mrs. Aldport, and Mrs. ROBINSON are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved BROTHER, Francis James Shiel; to move from the R.C. Church, St. Anthony, Picton, TO-MORROW, Saturday, at 9.30 a.m., for the R.C. Cemetery, Appin. Mrs. P. KIRBY and SON, Limited, Undertakers. Tel., 875.

SIMMONS.—The Friends of Mrs. H. and FRANK SIMMONS are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly beloved HUSBAND and FATHER; to move from his late residence, St. Quinton, Dora-street, Hurstville, at 1.45 p.m., THIS DAY, for the Sutherland Cemetery, by train leaving Sydney at 2.10 p.m. By special request, no flowers.
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SIMMONS.—The Friends of Mrs. A. FROST, of S. Bowral, Mr. and Mrs. REUBEN COOTE, of Hurstville, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. GLEESON, of Belmore, and Mr. and Mrs. JAMES M'KAY, of Rockhampton, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved BROTHER, Charles Simmons; to move from his late residence, Dora-street, Hurstville, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 1.45, for the Sutherland Cemetery, by train leaving Sydney at 2.10 p.m.
C. KINSELA, Undertaker, Rockdale.

SIMMONS.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. WM. WARDROP, Mr. and Mrs. JOSEPH WARDROP, Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES WARDROP, Mr. WALTER WARDROP, Mr. and Mrs. GEO. WARDROP, Mr. and Mrs. F. OVENS, Mr. and Mrs. W. HEAD are invited to attend Funeral of their late beloved UNCLE, Charles Simmons; to move from St. Quinton, Dora-st, Hurstville, at 1 to 2 o'clock, for Sutherland Cemetery.

SKIPPER.—The Friends of Mrs. JAMES SKIPPER are kindly invited to attend her Funeral; to move from her late residence, Wyverstone, Woodville-road, Fairfield, THIS FRIDAY, at 2 o'clock, for Baptist Cemetery, Parramatta.
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SMITH.—The Friends of Mrs. ELIZABETH BOWDEN, Mrs. MACKAY, Mrs. MYEN, Mrs. DAVIES, and Messrs. SAMUEL and CHARLES SMITH, are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly-loved MOTHER, Mrs. Julia Smith; to leave 62 Rose-street, Darlington, TO-MORROW (Saturday), at 1.30 p.m., for the Necropolis.
COFFILL and COMPANY, Funeral Directors.

VOSS.—The Friends of the deceased Captain J. VOSS are kindly invited to attend his Funeral; to move from our Funeral Parlour, 10 Castlereagh-street, city, TO-MORROW, Saturday, at 8.30 a.m., for the Necropolis.
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THOMAS H. NESBITT,
8th January, 1908. Town Clerk.

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TABLE 2.—LINE L.
2/6 White Bishops Lawn Gibson Blouse, with American Yoke. Hem Pleat buttoned through, Collar, Cuff, Hem Pleat, and Yoke piped with Blue and White Cambric, forming a simple, pretty, and useful shirt blouse. 2/6
TABLE 3.—LINE M.
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TABLE 4.—LINE N.
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